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AUSTRALIA

QUEENSLAND SUPERINTENDENT OUT OF DRUG LEAK PROBE

Brisbane THE COURIER-MAIL in English 19 Jun 79 p 3

[Text] Veteran Queensland policeman Superintendent Ernie Horan has withdrawn from an inquiry into an alleged criminal leak in the Australian Bureau of Narcotics.

Superintendent Horan was due to have surgery which could not wait until after the inquiry, a police spokesman said yesterday.

The inquiry is expected to be a fairly long one.

Inspector Tom Pointing, head of the Queensland Police Crime Intelligence Unit, which collates information on serious and organised crime, is expected to take his place.

Inspector Pointing, 51, married with four children, has been in charge of the Queensland Police Intelligence Unit for two years.

He has been in the Queensland Police Force for 30 years--24 years as a detective.

The inquiry follows allegations that a senior Sydney officer in the Australian Narcotics Bureau had leaked information from a bureau computer to an international drug syndicate.

The inquiry was ordered by the Federal Business and Consumer Affairs Minister (Mr. Fife) following allegations first made in June, 1978, in Brisbane by New Zealand couple Douglas and Isobel Wilson.

They were found murdered in Victoria last month.

The inquiry will be headed by Victoria's Assistant Police Commissioner (Mr. J. R. Hall).

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# AUSTRALIA

## MEETING OF MELBOURNE NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS DESCRIBED

Melbourne THE AGE in English 25 Jun 79 p 4

[By Jeff Wells]

[Text]

Down on Fitzroy Street this cold Wednesday night the needy and the greedy, the hookers and the hooked, are doing their dance of death.

The suits and the fruits, the hawkers and the gawkers, the cruisers and the bruisers, mingle in the cavalcade the city likes to call "colorful" and move on.

But there is little color in the faces of the carrion of the drug trade.

Up at Carlton, slumped in the time-worn furniture of the Princes Street community centre, two men who have scraped together a few dollars for a newspaper ad wait in disappointment.

A gaunt young woman looting in a valium mist is the only arrival for the first advertised meeting of Narcotics Anonymous.

Getting yourself hooked on drugs is your business, but getting you off them is the business of this low-key outfit.

One of the men begins the well-rehearsed story of his odyssey of beer, sweet wine, grass, smack, uppers, downers, acid — you name it and he has stuffed it into mind and body.

He drones on about wife-beating, lying, stealing, institutions, pills, last chances, and tells you that it all came to an end in the chair you see him in.

Cynically you note the engaging smile that must have deceived so many and figure him for a plausible rogue on some kind of ego trip.

Later other members tell you that you are wrong, that this man came as close as a man can to being a "wet brain", one of the gibbering zombies you find in the no-hope wards of mental institutions.

He is one of those who set NA apart from the shrinks, social workers, pill prescribers and sky pilots who think they can bring somebody back from a place which, they, despite their good intentions, cannot really imagine.

The junkies and pillheads can look into his eyes and know that if he came back so can they, if — and this is the only if that counts with NA — they really want to.

The man in the suit is one who is now building a name for himself in the creative world.

He is one of the children of the sixties who joined the ~~wave~~ caravan of truth-seekers always one step behind the answer.

He dropped acid under all the hip sunsets in Europe, flirted with all the "in" insights of Asia, and flipped out in a booze and hash horror in Australia.

He had created only confusion and despair.

He woke up one morning to find he had forgotten the mystic revelations of the night before, and that the friends he made when high had disappeared now he was low.

The woman with the eyes burning out of the pale mask of her face simply couldn't cope,

even with suicide, and had been eased on to the ubiquitous crutch of valium.

She stumbles into her story but the right words don't come; she can't think of the word they say is her problem: "Addiction", prompts the man in the suit.

NA has been the savior of thousands of addicts in the US in the past 25 years and has been operating in Melbourne for three years.

Although it is entirely separate from Alcoholics Anonymous, it owes its start here to a handful of AA members who also had drug problems.

Hundreds of addicts from all walks of life have been welcomed by NA in those three years in the knowledge that a knock-back could also be a death certificate.

Some come to help ease legal problems, some simply because there is a drug drought.

But the ones who count are those who admit they are addicts, and always will be addicts, and realise that deep inside they want to get off the carousel and look reality in the face.

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AUSTRALIA

BRIEFS

REPORT DEADLINE POSTPONED--The Royal Commission into Drug Trafficking in NSW has been given more time to present its report. The secretary of the commission, Mr John Cook, said yesterday that it was hoped the report would be presented to the Government by the Budget session of Parliament to begin August 14. Mr Cook said Mr Justice Woodward, who headed the Commission, had made it known to the Premier, Mr Wran, that more time was needed to complete the report, which could run to 1,000 pages. The Royal Commission, which was set up in August 1977, has now been granted four extensions. The last date for its findings to be presented was June 30. Mr Wran said yesterday that the proclamation proroguing Parliament until August 14 had been issued last week by the Governor, Sir Roden Cutler. [Text] [Sydney THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD in English 27 Jun 79 p 15]

DRUGS FOR LEGAL FEES--A man released on \$2,000 bail on a charge of having been an accessory after the fact to a murder in Kings Cross, had sold heroin in Wollongong area to raise money for legal assistance, police alleged in Wollongong Court of Petty Sessions yesterday. Allan Sidney Thomas, 25, forklift driver, of Edgar Street, Towradgi, was charged with supplying heroin at Towradgi on June 24. He was also charged with possession and use of heroin between June 22 and 25, and with having in his possession \$120, which was reasonably suspected of being stolen or otherwise unlawfully obtained. Mr B. Wilson, SM, remanded Thomas in custody to July 3. [Text] [Sydney THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD in English 27 Jun 79 p 8]

SURFER GETS REMAND--A charge alleging that the former world surfing champion Nat Young allowed his North Coast property to be used for growing drugs, was adjourned in the Grafton Court of Petty Sessions yesterday. Young, 31, who appeared under his given name of Robert Harold Young, was charged with allowing his property at Nymbodia near Grafton to be used for growing Indian hemp. Young's counsel, Mr Ian Strathdee, asked Mr N. C. Pepper, SM, to adjourn the charge. Mr Pepper said he would grant the adjournment in the interests of justice. He remanded Young to August 13 and allowed him surety bail for \$1,000. [Excerpts] [Sydney THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD in English 26 Jun 79 p 17]

CHEF ON DRUG CHARGES--A chef who allegedly imported 13 kg of cannabis resin was refused bail in the Magistrate's Court yesterday. Before the court was David John Vick, 20, of Sisters Avenue, Clapham, London. Vic did not enter please to charges of having imported narcotics and with having possessed imported cannabis on Monday. The Commonwealth prosecutor (Mr L. E. Norris) said Vick arrived in Brisbane on Monday. He said the resin allegedly seized was 650 times the traffickable quantity of 20 grams. Mr. Latchford, Chief S.M., remanded Vick to Friday for mention. [Text] [Brisbane THE COURIER-MAIL in English 20 Jun 79 p 12]

ADVICE TO ADDICT--A magistrate advised a 19-year-old youth yesterday to watch addicts going into the WA Alcohol and Drug Authority for methadone treatment if he was considering using heroin. "Nothing can be done if you choose that existence--it's a one-way track," Magistrate T. R. McGuigan told Norman James Coyle in the East Perth Court. Coyle, apprentice tiler, of Wilby Street, North Beach, admitted a charge of possessing heroin at North Beach on Monday. The court was told that Coyle bought a small amount of heroin for his own use for \$20 at a Scarborough hotel. Coyle said he was not familiar with heroin and had bought it because there was no marihuana around. Mr McGuigan fined Coyle \$250. [Excerpt] [Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 20 Jun 79 p 52]

LEBANESE REFUSED BAIL--Bail was refused in the East Perth Court yesterday for a 30-year-old Lebanese who is alleged to have imported cannabis oil worth about \$500,000. Opposing bail for Riad Hussein Taha of Punchbowl, New South Wales, the prosecutor, Mr S. O'Sullivan, said that 3692 grams was allegedly imported. He is also charged with Elia Faraj (34), unemployed, of Ashfield, NSW, with possessing cannabis oil at Perth on June 9. Bail for Faraj was also opposed, but Magistrate T. R. McGuigan set bail of \$20,000, with a similar surety. Mr O'Sullivan said that Taha was a Lebanese citizen with Australian residency. He had a previous conviction for possessing cannabis in Sydney in 1977 and had twice absconded on bail in WA on a reckless driving charge. Both were remanded until June 27. [Excerpts] [Perth THE WEST AUSTRALIAN in English 19 Jun 79 p 29]

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INDIA

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HASHISH SEIZED AT AIRPORT--Customs officials seized 10 kg of hashish worth about Rs 50,000 from 12 sealed containers at Calcutta airport on Tuesday. Official sources said the containers bore labels declaring that they contained nickles and were being sent to New Zealand. Suspicion arose because the labels were old. [Text] [Calcutta THE STATESMAN in English 11 Jul 79 p 3]

DIPLOMATIC DRUG CONNECTION--New Delhi, 8 Aug (AFP)--An allegation has been made by the government before a court of law in Bombay of foreign diplomats being involved in a racket of smuggling hashish and other narcotic drugs. Reports today said that an official of the directorate of revenue intelligence told the court on Tuesday [17 July] that the contraband was being smuggled from Nepal to Denmark and other Western countries through India. He did not name any of the diplomats. He said an Indian national was arrested in Bombay Hotel on Monday in the course of investigations into the racket conducted in Delhi and Bombay. Some Nepalese currency was recovered from the Indian. He named three Nepalese nationals--Shyam Prasad Tiwari, Pabitra Rana and Deepak Bhandari--who were arrested earlier in the same connection. [Text] [Hong Kong AFP in English 1047 GMT 8 Aug 79 BK]

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YOUTH INVOLVED IN DRUG TRAFFIC HELD IN PROTECTIVE CUSTODY

Jakarta KOMPAS in Indonesian 17 Apr 79 pp 1, 9

Excerpts For the past 2 weeks, Badung Police Resort and Police Regional Command XV, Lesser Sundas, have sought B, age 16, who participated with police authorities in Kuta Sector in ganja traffic. Yesterday, it was revealed that B is under protective custody of Military Police Regional Command, Military Area Command/163/Bali. B was held in connection with Police Headquarters instructions to determine the number of police involved in narcotics traffic.

Responding to a KOMPAS question about public fears that the case against B would be shelved, Major Endang Permana declared that this would not happen. Moreover, the Military Police Region would join in the investigation to guarantee that the problem was resolved. This is because until the curtain that envelops those involved is parted, efforts to clean up narcotics traffic will fail.

Several KOMPAS sources said they were surprised at police activity in B's case. Those sources said that there were many cases reflecting greater police involvement which had not been resolved. For example, Steven Rasmussen and Wendy Lisa Fredman had clearly been coerced by investigative personnel into agreeing to a sentence of 20 years or a fine of 20 million rupiahs.

In addition, the two indicated that police had presented the evidence to them only after 35 days in jail. Properly, the documents of confiscation of evidence should have been presented on the day of arrest. The two accused also lost two cameras and other goods worth about 2.5 million rupiahs which were seized.

The Denpasar court finally released the two because it could not be proven that the confiscated goods belonged to them. According to the accused, the drugs belonged to a local friend, who was held by the police and later freed.

A KOMPAS source in the Denpasar court said that a similar case took place on 23 March. A suspect named Wolfgang Wagner would not admit to owning 2.5 kilograms of hashish. Meanwhile, a woman friend of his, arrested with him, had been freed. Wolfgang finally received a year in prison and a fine of 400,000 rupiahs.

The chief of the Information Service, Police Area Command XV, Lesser Sundas, was amazed when KOMPAS presented these facts. He said that the police involved would be prosecuted. He acknowledged that not all cases involving Indonesian State Police have come to light. Because of this, he hopes that the public will provide more information to the police, so as to break narcotics cases in Bali.

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FOUR MEN ARRESTED FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING IN SOUTH SULAWESI

Jakarta HARIAN UMUM AB in Indonesian 5 May 79 p 10

Text As a follow-up to their operation to clean up narcotics traffic in the 1826 Police Sector, local police recently arrested four persons, including a reading teacher and an elementary school teacher, and confiscated 4 kilograms of narcotics/opium, Lieutenant Colonel of Police R. Soekardjono, head of the Information Section of XVIII Area Command, South Sulawesi, told the press.

With this latest seizure, the police have confiscated no less than 13 kilograms of drugs since the acceleration of the operation.

It was further revealed the results were confirmed by a police investigation against the suspects. In addition to the two teachers, there were two farmers named "S.H." and "P", who lived in Campalagian Regency and Wonomulyo Regency Police District. They came from Surabaya. Lieutenant Colonel R. Soekardjono explained that preliminary investigation revealed that the opium entered from Surabaya.

The illegal drugs were sent by "M" and "A", former residents of the police district who now live in Surabaya. They are expected to be apprehended before long.

According to the Lieutenant Colonel, police are still searching for 7 or 8 kilograms of opium which are still hidden. The four suspects and the 4 kilograms of drugs are being held for further investigation by Police Sector 1826.

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NEW ZEALAND

HEROIN DEALER GETS 10-YEAR JAIL SENTENCE

Auckland THE NEW ZEALAND HERALD in English 14 Jul 79 Sec 1 p 4

[Text]

Press Association Wellington

A woman shrieked hysterically in the public gallery of the Supreme Court at Wellington yesterday when Mr Justice Quilliam imposed a 10-year jail sentence on Constatinos Spartalis, aged 26, fishmonger, on a charge of possessing heroin for the purpose of supply.

Evidence was given at the trial last week that Spartalis was found to be in possession of 1.203 grams of pure heroin when he was stopped by the police when driving in Majoribanks St, Wellington.

For Spartalis, Mr M. A. Bungay said there had been no suggestion of trafficking in heroin and that Spartalis had bought it for his own

use. He had incurred debts to obtain the heroin.

Passing sentence, His Honour said the jury's verdict meant that not only was the accused in possession for purposes of supply (the Misuse of Drugs Act presumed that the purpose was for supply when the quantity possessed exceeded half a gram), but that the evidence of a detective had been accepted.

The accused had admitted to the detective that he had over a period bought 10 bags, each containing 10 grams of heroin, that he had sold eight of them and was about to take delivery of more.

This placed him squarely in the category of more serious drug offences, His Honour said. The fact that he was able to buy in such quantities placed him in the higher scale.

The fact stood out that he was willing to be a major distributor and the Court of Appeal had recently made it clear that the fact that the offender was himself an addict could have little weight when it came to sentence.

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NEW ZEALAND

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CUSTOMS TO X-RAY MAIL--Auckland (PA)--Interceptions of mail containing drugs are expected to increase when the Customs Department's X-ray machine begins work this week. A customs mail inspector, Ms. Patricia Wihongi, has been conducting the final trial checking of letters through the Department's \$25,000 machine. Installed in the Chief Post Office, the device will help the manual checking of overseas mail in the hope of detecting a greater number of letters containing drugs. These have almost trebled in the last year. Customs officers seized more than \$200,000 worth up to May. Narcotics seized include cannabis seed, opium, and several types of synthetic drugs. The machine will also enable Customs officials to check the contents of first-class mail. Previously they have not been able to open letters, unless certain that they contained foreign objects. A similar X-ray machine is used in Wellington. Drug-detecting dogs will still be used in mail-sorting rooms to check parcels, but packages will also be X-rayed. [Text] [Christchurch THE PRESS in English 13 Jul 79 p 14]

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**PAKISTAN**

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**MORPHIA FACTORY SEIZED--**A morphia producing factory near Nisbet Road was seized by the Excise Intelligence Bureau staff on Thursday in Lahore. Its owner, Sarwar Javed, was also apprehended. Besides a sizeable quantity of opium, morphia powder and alcohol was captured during a raid. [Text] [Lahore THE PAKISTAN TIMES in English 13 Jul 79 p 11]

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PHILIPPINES

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IRANIAN HEROIN CHARGE--Manila, Aug (AFP)--Filipino police arrested on Monday an Iranian engineering student who they said yielded 479 grams of heroin and several bags of prohibited drugs. The Philippine News Agency (PNA) today identified the student as Djavad Afzalian Shirvan, 24, of the University of Baguio, 120 miles (192 km) north of Manila. PNA said, however, the student was arrested at the St. Louis University, also in the mountain resort city of Baguio. [Text] [Hong Kong AFP in English 1350 GMT 9 Aug 79 OW]

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SINGAPORE

# HEROIN BOSS LYING LOW IN DENMARK

Kuala Lumpur NEW STRAITS TIMES in English 28 Jul 79 p 10 BK

[Text]

**COPENHAGEN, Fri.** — A Singaporean wanted by Interpol for murder, and believed to be the heroin boss for Western Europe, has been living quietly here since 1970 running a restaurant, Danish police said here today.

According to a report by the Danish newspaper Ekstrabladet, the man — known also as "Mr Big" — fled to Denmark via Malaysia by using a false passport in 1970.

The paper did not identify "Mr Big."

Danish laws prevent extradition to countries which have the death penalty.

In 1973, "Mr Big" founded a secret society called "Ah Kong" in Amsterdam and started a merciless war on the traditionally Hongkong-originated families who dominated the heroin trade, the paper said.

Family leaders were assassinated, their carriers attacked and large quantities of heroin seized by "Ah Kong" members.

By 1974, "Ah Kong" found itself in virtual domination of the heroin market and, up to the beginning of this year, it was handling 80 per cent of the heroin

imported into Western Europe.

But an international crackdown on the secret society led to the arrests of many of its operatives and "Mr Big" fled to Denmark, where he is now running a restaurant, the paper said. He is married to a Danish girl.

In SINGAPORE, informed sources said "Mr Big" recently tried to revive the "Ah Kong" by recruiting eight Singaporeans to assist in its Amsterdam operations.

They were, however, arrested by Amsterdam police and deported to Singapore a fortnight ago.

According to Central Narcotics Bureau director Mr Tee Tua Ba, there were four key men in the "Ah Kong," including "Mr Big" himself. Two of them are being prosecuted in West Germany for trafficking in heroin.

The other man was arrested by the CNB in Singapore a few months ago.

**DRUG NOTE:** More than 40 people have been arrested in Singapore and abroad and heroin worth \$10 million seized in an international crackdown spearheaded by the CNB against one of the world's largest drug syndicates last September.

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SINGAPORE

BRIEFS

DRUG TRAFFICKERS SENTENCED--Two men were sentenced to 20 years in jail and 15 strokes of the cane each in a retrial at the High Court this morning. Both had pleaded guilty to trafficking in heroin. The two men had been sentenced to death in October 1977 by the High Court for trafficking in 22.3 grams of heroin. However, the Court of Criminal Appeal ordered a retrial last September for both men. At this morning's retrial the criminal charges were amended and both men were charged instead with trafficking in about 10-15 grams of heroin which carries a lesser sentence. [Singapore Domestic Service in English 1130 GMT 23 Jul 79 BK]

OPIUM MAN FINED--Poh Kee Poe, 47, was fined \$1,000 by a district court when he admitted having 84.74 g of opium at Smith Street on July 12. He was also fined \$450 for consuming opium on the same day. [Text] [Singapore SUNDAY TIMES in English 28 Jul 79 p 7 BK]

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SRI LANKA

BRIEFS

**HASHISH SEIZED**--The arrest of an Austrian national at the Katunayake International Airport with a quantity of hashish in his baggage, last week, added further evidence of suspicion that Colombo had now become a major link in the international narcotic traffic chain. Police Narcotic Bureau sources who revealed this suspicion said that the Austrian had been found with a sizeable quantity of hashish which he had said he obtained in Colombo. The hashish found on this young person has been valued at over Rs. 5,000. As hashish is not produced in Sri Lanka, police sources believe that the drug flows into Colombo from Pakistan and Afghanistan, in which countries this drug is made. Morphine base and other forms of 'raw' narcotics are said to be extremely low in price in these countries. Interrogation of the Austrian had revealed that he had bought the hashish from a street corner in Colombo, at Rs. 100 per gramme. Though valiant efforts were made by the police to trace the "junkie" who sold the drugs to the Austrian, it has yet not been possible. [Text] [Colombo SUN in English 17 Jul 79 p 3 HK]

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THAILAND

SEDATIVE FROM HUNGARY SAID TO BE WIDELY USED, ADDICTIVE

Bangkok DAO SIAM in Thai 9 Jun 79 pp 1, 2

[Text] The public relations chief of the Sri Nakhon Bank found the combination pain killer-sleeping pill "YUNOCDIN" to be addictive. It is widely used by both male and female students. Taking the pills causes indolence and a dreamy state of mind. Prolonged use will result in stomach ulcers, anemia, and death. Samples sent for lab tests by narcotic experts were found to have addictive properties. Parents are warned to conduct frequent searches of their children for it. If found, the children should immediately be sent to doctors for treatment; failure to do so could cause serious danger.

At the bank's Suan Mali Branch, Mr Suchit Soonthorn-pimol, the public relations chief, gave an interview on 8 June at 9 am that, at present, there is a certain tranquilizer named "YUNOCDIN" a pain killer and sleeping pill which is widely on sale at drug stores. It appears that the majority of the students who use it become addicted. This medicine is made in Hungary.

Male and female students frequently buy and share it among themselves. The effect after taking the pill causes indolence, drowsiness, and delirium, similar to taking marihuana. This drug costs between 1 to 2 baht per pill and many students use them regularly. After being consulted by many parents, Mr Suchit took the pills to Dr Akhom Sarasuchat, narcotics expert of the Police Hospital for analysis and found that there are dangerous drugs in the pills and that they should not be freely sold in the drug store. The medicine should not be dispensed without a physicians' prescription.

Mr Suchit further said that, at present, the "White Powder" drugs and marihuana are widely spreading out of control throughout the country. Still, there is more pain killer of this sort for sale to the students. Most students who take YUNOCDIN and become addicted experience a decline in their studies after prolonged use of this drug, and are quickly susceptible to heroin when they get it from friends. It is certainly a dangerous drug, it is not yet known whether the Public Health Ministry has discovered it and is taking any measure to prevent it.



The bank public relations chief further warned the parents to check their children by searching their shirt pockets, shorts and satchels for drugs hidden in them. If this type of drug is found, the child should be sent to the doctor for immediate treatment, for prolonged use of YUNOCDIN will cause stomach ulcers, anemia, and death. "Narcotics is a more serious problem than food. The authorities concerned should urgently suppress it," Mr Suchit concluded.

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ADDICT REHABILITATION CENTERS DESCRIBED

Bangkok TAWAN SIAM in Thai 10 Jun 79 pp 7, 10

[Text] Narcotics is presently causing great concern to society, for it is not only ruining the addicts themselves, but it also is destroying national security both economically and socially.

This can be clearly seen from the statistics on heroin addicts. After the government's opium smoking ban in 1958, the number of addicts rose to no less than 700,000. The majority of them are youngsters and university students who are going to be an important force in the nation's future. What is deeply regrettable is that if this key mechanism becomes valueless and a trouble maker for society, the country certainly cannot progress.

Presently youth or adolescents are being induced directly or indirectly to use many different kinds of drugs. Some use them just from sheer curiosity and want to try it for themselves. Others are being induced to use heroin by implying that it helps in feeling good. Besides, there are some tranquilizers which are widely abused by the youngsters. Prolonged abuse of all these are harmful to the nervous system.

In order to restrain widespread drug abuse or to stop it, three main principles are to be adhered to: prevention, suppression, and treatment which are the government's prime duty, and society's responsibilities as well.

Treating drug addicts is complicated and is different from treatment of other diseases. Addicts are physically and mentally ill persons who need both treatments at the same time. To achieve satisfactory results, broad cooperation is also needed from various experts such as physicians, psychologists, social workers and others concerned.

At present there are several institutions for treatment both governmental and private. The methods of treatment are both modern and traditional. In surveying these institutions, several obstacles were found; a shortage of personnel, and insufficient budgets, operational support, specifically in buildings to have patients, is inadequate. Moreover, the majority of the patients did not fully cooperate in receiving treatment. They tended

to leave the institutions prior to receiving the full course of medically prescribed treatment and officially discharged, as there is no law requiring them to obey.

On top of this is the smuggling of drugs into the institutions for sale to the patients receiving treatment. This makes the treatment fail to achieve satisfactory results. Treating the addicts is a must, however. Even though there are both government and private hospitals for treatment, there are not at present in balance with the number of patients. At the state hospitals, it is considered to be a government responsibility to provide treatment. But, other than those at Tham Krabok and Tham Khao Thalu at Rajburi Province in the private sector, there are no other private individuals seriously interested in building institutions because of the above-cited problems and obstacles.

Now it is encouraging to learn that there is a private clinic to provide treatment in a convenient and informal atmosphere that is highly praised by the patients receiving treatment. One cannot help but go observe so as to spread the word for the general benefit of society.

This clinic is located not far from the center of Bangkok in the Ladprao area, in quiet surroundings with shade, near the bank of the Saen Saeb Canal. It stands by itself about one-half km off Ladprao Road.

"Wang Thonglang Wejsathan" is the name of this clinic. In meeting and talking with 20 patients receiving treatment in this clinic, every one of them said that medication and warm attention of the personnel in this clinic are superb; every patient feels as though he were at his own home and forgets that it is a hospital. There is no feeling of being confined. Its personnel are well trained and seem to understand their problems.

Every one of them is hopeful of going out and being able to cope with their new life. Ms Phejara Chitramaykul, the director of this clinic kindly led the writer to view the clinic and related the story of how this clinic came into being and the reason for establishing it.

Treatment at this clinic is convenient, quick and safe. Every patient said that after taking medication for 3 days, they feel fine and have no symptoms of being addicted anymore. Throughout the recuperation period, they receive frequent and regular visits from the doctors and nurses alike. They indicated they feel fine and did not want to leave this clinic. Some of them asked to stay on after completing 7 to 10 days of the prescribed period of treatment.

Anyone interested in knowing more and would like to begin life anew in the society may visit every day for consultation or make a phone call for advice, "Wang Thonglang Wejsathan," located at 56/1 Voramitr Lane, Ladprao Road, Bangkok. Phone: 377-5806.

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THAILAND

FOUR ARRESTED WITH LARGE AMOUNT OF NO 3 HEROIN

Bangkok POST in English 8 Aug 79 p 1 BK

[Text] Four Americans from New York City were arrested yesterday morning after police found 3.3 kilos of No 3 "brown sugar" heroin in their possession following a raid on their rooms in the Century Hotel.

Officials of the Metropolitan Narcotics Unit (MNU), who investigated the case along with U.S. Drug Enforcement agents, arrested David Talley, 24, Gregory Ferguson, 22, and Lec Odems, 22, just as they were preparing to leave for Don Muang Airport on their way back home.

The four suspects have been charged with possessing heroin with intent to smuggle and sell abroad. If convicted, they could be sentenced to death under harsh new anti-drug laws enacted April 28 by the new Kriangsak administration.

Narcotics agents said the four men were held in rooms 202 and 212 of the Century Hotel in Ratprarop as they were getting ready to leave to catch a flight to Rome from where they were to move on to the states. Eight packages of heroin were allegedly found wrapped around the bodies of Talley, Conyers and Ferguson. The packets were concealed in specially-made underwear that the four men had brought in from the U.S. to avoid customs detection.

Police said the four men pleaded guilty to the charges during interrogation. They said the men admitted to having successfully smuggled out heroin during numerous previous trips to Bangkok since 1975.

Odems, the alleged financier of the gang, reportedly admitted to police that he bought the drugs for 300,000 baht. Asked why he planned to smuggle No 3 heroin, which is not popular among American addicts, he said that No 4 first grade heroin is difficult to find and its price is high. The price of the seized heroin, if it had reached New York, would have been 100 times higher than that in Bangkok.

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THAILAND

## AUSTRALIAN HEROIN RING BROKEN

Bangkok POST in English 21 Jul 79 p 5 BK

[Text]

**TWO young Australians accused of attempted heroin smuggling named fellow countryman William Sinclair as the organiser and financier of the attempt after their arrest last October, the Criminal Court was told yesterday.**

Australian narcotics agent Frank Davies said Warren Fellows and Paul Hayward, both 29-year-olds from Sydney, had alleged verbally and in written statements that Sinclair was the mastermind of the attempt in Bangkok.

Sinclair, a 30-year-old Bangkok bar owner, has pleaded not guilty to a charge of assisting heroin smuggling attempts.

Both Hayward, a Rugby League player, and Fellows, a hairdresser, pleaded guilty to possessing 3.4 kilogrammes of top-grade heroin when the trial opened on April 4. They earlier pleaded not guilty to the court during preliminary hearings.

They have denied a more serious charge of intending to sell, distribute or export the drug worth some 60 million baht in Australia.

Mr Davies, who is attached to the Australian embassy here, told the court Mr Hayward and Mr Fellows confessed they were to be paid 600,000 baht to smuggle the heroin to Australia.

"They made a verbal admission that they had involvement in the possession of the heroin and that they had come to Bangkok to purchase

heroin and that the organiser and financier was William Sinclair," he said.

"They also made voluntary written statements in their own handwriting in the presence of myself and Police Major-Generals Chawalit Yodmanee and Chak Laksmaboonsong," he added.

Davies added that police officers did not make any threats to force the two suspects to write their statements.

**EVIDENCE**

Davies, giving evidence for the second day in the trial that started three months ago, said Hayward told him that he had gone to Bangkok to buy drugs, but thought he was to smuggle marijuana.

"Hayward said he knew little about the organisation, but Fellows told him Sinclair was financing the shipment," he said.

Fellows also said that Sinclair had arranged for the false passport in the name of Gregory Hastings Barker on which he travelled to Bangkok. Davies said and added that Fellows also possessed another passport un-

der the name of William Errington.

Hayward admitted that he had travelled to Bangkok many times previously to deliver money to Sinclair, he said.

He said that Sinclair, after being confronted with the confessions of his alleged associates, denied all knowledge of the affair and refused to sign a statement of interrogation.

The prosecution alleges that the three Australians were part of a syndicate smuggling drugs to Australia.

Davies also said the two young Australians had admitted they bought the heroin from a Thai called "Noi", the nickname of taxi driver Kittu Insaap who is also on trial charged with supplying the drug. He has pleaded not guilty.

During yesterday's trial, a large number of documentary evidence was produced to court including an investigation report from the Australian Federal Bureau of Narcotics on the arrest of Sinclair's alleged associates in Sydney, Australia two weeks after the arrest of the three men in Bangkok.

The trial will resume on Wednesday.

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LAB IN THON BURI RAIDED FOR HEROIN

Bangkok POST in English 21 Jul 79 p 1 BK

[Text]

IN one of the biggest drug seizures ever made in Bangkok Metropolis, police yesterday raided a heroin laboratory in Thon Buri, arrested six persons and confiscated 18 kilograms of No. 3 "brown sugar" heroin, police reported. The persons arrested have denied the initial charge of possessing heroin with intent to sell.

House No. 17/88, 841 Christhak, Charan Sanitwongso Road, was raided by a joint Thon Buri and Tha Phra police team after a month-long investigation ordered by Thon Buri Police Commissioner Lt-Col Sathit Viriyasiri.

The investigation followed reports that a heroin laboratory was operating in the area. The house was placed under surveillance, and yesterday police observers reported to Tha Phra Chief Inspector Lt Nueel Simathat that they had seen a man dressed as an

army special colonial drive in and out of the house several times.

The joint police team swooped at 1 p.m., and allegedly found four people mixing a quantity of heroin with cocaine substances. The man in the army uniform was identified as Sergeant Thirathammanond and the others as Khwan Thappachon, Suran Sinsomhat, and Miss Nit Laengcharoen.

Police say they found 31 bags of "brown sugar" weighing 18 kilos, two plastic bags containing a cocaine substance, and heroin processing equipment.

During the raid, police say two people identified as Sumpang see Lim and Mrs Phant Sathiaroo arrived, but tried to turn back when they saw the police. They were grabbed, and police say they found a package of raw opium in their possession.

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## THAILAND

## LAO SU RESUMES TRAFFICKING IN NORTH

Bangkok POST in English 20 Jul 79 p 3 BK

[Text]

**FUGITIVE** drug kingpin Lao Su is currently operating four small heroin plants inside Burma, about six kilometres from Doi Larnag of Mae Ai District, Chiang Mai Province, according to Pol Maj-Gen Vichai Vichathanapat, commander of the Third Region Border Patrol Police.

Quoting reliable informants, Pol Maj-Gen Vichai said Lao Su was in partnership with a Haw tribesman named Lee Choeng Soen, and indicated the camouflaged heroin refineries are located near the Kiang Lek stream in Burmese territory.

He added that about two weeks ago Lao Su had sent some of his men to Doi Larnag of Chiang Mai to pick up some girls for him.

Convicted trafficker Lao Su escaped from the Central Hospital's detention ward in Bangkok Metropolis on October 25, 1977, after he had been transferred there from prison for treatment of earache. He was sentenced to death in absentia on November 2 the same year.

An investigation into the circumstances of his escape has been revived by the Ministry of Interior.

Meanwhile, a high-ranking narcotics police source in the northern capital of Chiang Mai has disclosed that there are more than 10 heroin refineries stretching across the rugged Thai-Burmese border from Mae Sai District of Chiang Rai to Mae Hong Son Province. Seven are located inside Burma, opposite Chiang Rai, he said.

The source named the heroin manufacturers, all of them Haw tribesmen, as Sa Jeh, a village headman in Doi Pa Mee of Mae Sai District, Chang Choeng Mong, Wuel Saew Loong, Liew Ta Moel, Chang Ta Poel, Chang Sue Lin and Saew Oeh.

The source said that the heroin manufactured by Lao Su's refineries is usually smuggled into Chiang Mai by armed caravans through two jungle routes — one controlled by the independent Muser tribesmen, led by Paya Ja Ueh and the other controlled by Khun Sa, leader of the Shan States rebels.

The source said that the Musers charged a transit tax of between 800-900 baht per "unit" (700 grammes) of refined heroin passing through their area, while Khun Sa also levied a similar tax.

The source reported police were tipped off by informers last week that about 100 kilogrammes of heroin had been smuggled across the border and are being hidden near Tham Ngob, which is under the command of General Lao Lee.

"Searching the suspected area is a big problem because of the lack of co-operation and even hostility from the KMTs," the source admitted. He cited an incident about two months ago when a team of Border Patrol policemen was forced by armed KMTs to retreat and return seized narcotics, following a raid at Ban Mae Aeb of Mae Chan District, Chiang Rai Province.

The source also reported a KMT unit clashed with a KMT narcotics caravan near Ban Mae Aeb on Tuesday afternoon. One KMT man was slain and about eight kilogrammes of No 3 heroin were found in his knapsack.

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THAILAND

TOURISTS, THAI ARRESTED IN SMUGGLING

Bangkok BANGKOK POST in English 27 Jul 79 p 1 BK

[Text]

NARCOTICS Suppression Police yesterday morning arrested four American tourists and a Thai woman and charged them with possession of heroin with intent to smuggle.

The Americans — Robert Genovese, his wife Patricia and brother Gary, Miss Elizabeth Teal — and the Thai, Mrs Bunyaporn Laemitr, were arrested in the Dusit Thani Hotel shortly after 350 grammes of No 4 first grade heroin was delivered to the suspects by the Thai woman, a police spokesman said.

The arrest followed joint in-

vestigations by the Thai Narcotics Suppression Police and their American counterparts.

The investigators knew that a group of American tourists had come to Thailand to buy and smuggle the heroin to the United States.

Believed to be the possible suspects, the four Americans were kept under close surveillance since they arrived in Bangkok on Monday.

At about 10 a.m. yesterday, the police team watching Dusit Thani Hotel spotted Mrs Bunyaporn going into Gary's room. They raided

the room where Gary was staying with his girlfriend Elizabeth. The three suspects were held and a search conducted of the room with the heroin package being found hidden in a transistor radio.

A few moments later, Robert and Patricia walked into the room with US\$6,000 ready to pay Mrs Bunyaporn, not knowing that the police were in the room, a police spokesman said.

They were immediately arrested and charged with the others.

The Genovese brothers admitted to police that they have been in Bangkok before.

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SUSPECTS ARRESTED, RE-ARRESTED

Bangkok NATION REVIEW in English 22 Jul 79 p 2 BK

[Text]

TWO OF the six suspects arrested on drug charges on Friday at a house in Thonburi were alleged by police yesterday to be an illegal Laotian immigrant and a Thai woman who had once been sentenced to life imprisonment on the same charge but was later amnestied.

They were identified by police as a Mr Sompong see Lim or Thao Sanit who had illegally entered the country and Mrs Phanit Sithi-aree who had been sentenced during the Thanom Government in 1965 to life imprisonment but was amnestied early this year.

The two were arrested when they entered the house in Soi Christachek on Charansanitwong Road in a sedan after police had already nabbed three other people in the house with 18 kilogrammes of heroin.

Police also seized a number of equipment from a miniature heroin laboratory in the house.

One of the three occupants of the house was identified as Mr Sa-nguan Chivathammanont.

Upon searching Sompong and Phanit, police found on them one package of heroin raw opium and 200,000 baht in cash.

Sa-nguan admitted to the charges of possessing drug with intent to sell while the others pleaded not guilty.

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BRIEFS

**MARIHUANA SEIZURE IN MIN BURI**--A 24-year old man was arrested yesterday afternoon charged with possessing 88 kilogrammes of marijuana with intent to sell on Subintawong Road in Nong Jok area of Min Buri District. The drug was estimated to be worth about one million baht. Police identified the accused as Chainarong Choommek, and were still checking on his background at last report. Nong Jok police, acting on a tip-off, were staking out Luang Paeng Bridge on Subintawong Road at about 5:00 p.m. when they stopped Chainarong's car for a search. Police found 38 packages of marijuana during the search and arrested the man on charges of possessing the drug with intent to sell. [Text] [Bangkok BANGKOK POST in English 20 Jul 79 p 3 BK]

**SONGKHLA HEROIN ARREST**--A 40-year-old mother of 14 was arrested with one of her daughters and another man on charges of possessing heroin for sale, Songkhla police reported. Mrs Daeng Saengthong and her teenage daughter U-sa were arrested at their house in Tambon Tungtamsao, Hat Yai, after a decoy policeman bought some drugs from them. Later, police arrested one of their neighbours, Thawat Umduang, 27. An unlicensed gun and some of the marked banknotes used to purchase the drug were found in his house. [Text] [Bangkok BANGKOK POST in English 1 Aug 79 p 1 BK]

**OPIMUM SEIZURE IN BANGKOK**--Samyod Crime Suppression Police yesterday arrested a 40-year-old man at the entrance to a soi on Vibhavadi Rangsit Highway after allegedly finding on his person nine kilos of opium worth more than 200,000 baht locally. Crime Suppression Police Commissioner Pol Maj-Gen Sawang Kongchuai and a team of officers arrested Sayam Chirakul at the entrance to Soi Chokchai Ruamitr after being informed that the opium was to be delivered there. Officers who had staked out the site arrested Sayam after finding that his description allegedly matched that given them by their informant. They allegedly found Sayam carrying a blue plastic bag which contained a kraft paper box in which the opium was found. Sayam allegedly admitted to the police that he had acquired the opium in Burma and was going to sell it to an unidentified Westerner. Police have detained Sayam at the Samyod headquarters and are looking for his prospective customer. They said the drug, if sold in the US, would have fetched 21 million baht. [Text] [Bangkok BANGKOK POST in English 30 Jul 79 p 3 BK]

HEROIN IN AYUTHAYA--On 9 June a DAO SIAM correspondent reported from Ayuthaya Province that an adolescent who was later identified as Mr Sommai Suebjouf, 22, and a watchman at the Khumkhumphaen Museum, Ayuthaya posed as a police lieutenant to sell drugs to students. Upon searching his body, police found three sticks of marihuana and one package of "Krung Thong 85" cigarettes stuffed with heroin. He was escorted to the police station for legal proceedings. [Excerpt] [Bangkok DAO SIAM in Thai 9 Jun 79 p 11] 9438

HEROIN DEALER RELEASED--Worldwide attention is on a heroin dealer who escaped from Bangkwang Detention Center. The prosecutor general investigated the case for immediate action and will impose heavy punishment on whomever collaborated in the escape scheme. Police General Chumphol Lohachala, deputy interior minister, gave an interview at Thebsirin School on 9 June concerning the "King of Heroin" Siri Sirikul escaping from jail. He presumably was released through using a bogus warrant of release. In this instance, the deputy interior minister said: "The case is now in the hands of Mr Prateuang Kiratibutr who is deeply interested because of worldwide interest and is taking immediate action to unravel the tale. Those guilty of wrongdoing will be severely punished. [Text] [Bangkok DAO SIAM in Thai 10 Jun 79 pp 1, 2] 9438

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CANADA

COCAINE TRAFFICKERS SENTENCED TO 20 YEARS

Toronto THE GLOBE AND MAIL, WEEKEND EDITION in English 4 Aug 79 p 2

[Text]

VANCOUVER (CP) — Two leaders of a cocaine trafficking ring which brought the drug to Canada from South America were sentenced yesterday to 20 years in prison and fined \$50,000 each.

Mr. Justice Thomas Berger of the B.C. Supreme Court, who described the ring as the most extensive cocaine-trafficking conspiracy in Canada history, said the pair, William Faulder (Fats) Robertson, 49, and Ido Paul Zamai, 45, were prepared to kill those who cheated or crossed the organization.

Mr. Robertson and Mr. Zamai, among nine convicted in the case, were sentenced to an additional three years each if they default on the fines.

Judge Berger handed down 14-year terms to Richard Henry Bengert, 37, Steve Ponak, 40, Frank Raymond Ferron, 42, and Brian Robert Jeffries, 32. George William Layman, 29, and William Allan Perry, 35, were given eight-year terms and John Edward Dupuis was given a four-year sentence.

The judge said the group had imported cocaine between the fall of 1978 and December, 1977, worth millions of dollars.

The last shipment, seized by RCMP in December, 1977, was the largest amount ever intercepted by police — nearly nine kilograms.

Judge Berger rejected a plea from the Crown counsel, Howard Rubin, for life terms, but added that the sentences were meant to be a deterrent to others who might try trafficking.

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BRAZIL

TRAFFICKERS TARGET SCHOOLS, NIGHTCLUBS IN SAO PAULO

Sau Paulo O ESTADO DE SAU PAULO in Portuguese 15 Jul 79 p 36

[Article by Renato Lombardi: "School System New Target of Drug Traffickers"]

[Text] Young people of 13 are smoking marijuana, inhaling chemical products and even selling drugs in schools. In the cafes, private clubs and disco establishments, cocaine and marijuana are sold and used on a wide scale. Currently the school system--municipal, state and private--has become the new target of drug traffickers and they are scoring heavily there. It is to this sector that a large part of the half-ton of marijuana and numerous kilograms of cocaine which reach Sao Paulo every two weeks are destined.

In combating this evil, which this year alone has put 1,106 persons in prison, including many minors, the police are encountering numerous difficulties, ranging from the social and economic barriers--since this vice afflicts all levels of society without distinction--to the lack of the facilities and infrastructure necessary to the battle, which should be pursued rigorously and without interruption.

Daily, desperate parents are turning to hospitals and recovery clinics. The next step after addiction is stealing, even for individuals on a higher social level, who turn to car or motorcycle theft to "make money and buy drugs."

Many plans have been developed to wage the battle against drugs. Some have been shelved and others are under study. The authorities at the ministries of education and justice are discussing whether or not a national campaign should be launched.

Fear Prevents Reporting of Drugs

Drugs in the schools, mainly on the first and second level of courses, has become a concern of the state and municipal authorities. Recent studies show that boys and girls ranging in age from 11 to 16 are smoking marijuana, drinking alcohol and inhaling substances such as glue, ether, thinners and other solvents.

School directors and teachers do not report the students using drugs or the dealer. The fear is so great as to prevent them from speaking out even at meetings at the secretariat of education. At a school in Sao Miguel Paulista, one of the 13 year old students, smoking marijuana in the schoolyard, told of his activities as a member of a gang of thieves. In Jabaquara, a boy of 12 was caught smoking marijuana during recess. In Santana, the director of a prefecture school received death threats when he reported two boys who were selling marijuana to the students, most of them girls. In Vila Brasilandia, drug traffickers threatened a number of students who refused to deliver reefers to their schoolmates. In Parque Sao Lucas, boys and girls are missing first level classes at the prefecture school to participate in drug and alcohol parties deep in a palm grove.

These events involving minors led to urgent steps on the part of the secretariats of education for the state and prefecture, such as the drafting of instructions for school directors and teachers on warning the students of the dangers of drugs. But the implementation of this guidance plan depends entirely on authorization from the technical section on drugs and narcotics of the National Health Council.

Among the studies already completed, apart from the two in Sao Paulo, one now under study is a report drafted by a commission of technicians appointed by the drug section, which calls for inclusion of the drug problem in the school curriculum on natural history. A copy of the study was sent to the Ministry of Education and Culture, and is also to be studied by the Federal Education Council.

According to the state secretariat of education in Sao Paulo, there are 4,583,326 students including 3,904,109 on the first level and 679,217 on the second. In the state system, there are 3,516,350 students; in the municipal system 450,395; and in the private schools, 616,639.

A former secretary of education for the prefecture, Hilario Torloni, recalled that he ordered the planning, guidance and control department to draft a study on the analysis and prevention of drug use in the municipal school network. The group coordinator, Anamerica Prado Marcondes, has already completed the text which explains how the school team should function "in connection with the use of drugs by the student," and this study has already been sent to the Ministry of Education and Culture.

The directors and teachers in the municipal education system, after orientation with regard to reactions to drugs, are expected to establish any change in the usual conduct of the student from one hour to the next: difficulties in attention, discipline, productivity of school work; difficulty in accepting responsibility, seen in decreased efficiency, absence from school and work; unstable moods, with exaggerated vacillations ranging from joy to sadness, from interest to apathy, from withdrawal to sociability, from activity to increased somnolence; rejection of old friends and replacements in the circle

of friends; changes in the mode of speaking or dressing; neglect of physical appearance or personal hygiene; extraordinary demands for personal expenditures; participation in sex; use of dark glasses or long-sleeved shirts. The study warns that many of these characteristics are typical of the adolescent stage.

The teachers will also be provided with general information about drugs; concepts, classification, reason for use, types of users and drugs most commonly used (alcohol, marijuana, amphetamines, barbiturates and inhalants).

One of the basic points in this study to be utilized in the prefecture schools is contact with the families of students. Conflict between parents and children precedes drug use. If a young person is in conflict with his family, he is indifferent to whether or not the family knows that he uses drugs.

The plan for training personnel to combat the use and abuse of drugs in the schools at the state secretariat of education dates back to 17 September 1976, and the secretary, Luis Ferreira Martins, hopes to get it established as soon as possible.

Professor Benedito Roque de Silveira Campos is charge of coordinating activity with the other bodies, and in order to train educators to pass on information pertaining to all the evils of drugs to students, a study by Sao Paulo Institute of Social Medicine and Criminology will be used.

For almost a year, two criminologists, two social assistants, a doctor, a psychologist and 20 social service apprentices made a study in 170 schools in the government and private systems. Questionnaires were distributed to 22 school class divisions, covering some 6,000 students, who provided answers on the incidence of drugs, family situations, use of tobacco and alcohol by the parents, level of knowledge about drugs in general and improper use of medication.

The result showed that the heaviest drug use--mainly marijuana--exists in the night class divisions, among male students 13 to 18 years of age. The study also showed that there are more drug addicts in the government school system. According to Dr Ayush Morad Amar, the director of the institute, 'the surprising aspect in this study was the use of alcohol in the 12 to 17 year age group, followed by the use of barbituates, tranquilizers and sedatives.'

The researchers encountered difficulties in making their survey in the schools in the private system. The directors claimed they did not want to raise the question of drugs with their students "because it would be unproductive."

#### Police Lack Facilities

The drug division of the DEIC [Criminal Investigations Department] has 50 investigators, 10 clerks and 8 deputies to combat drug traffic in the entire capital and state, covering the marijuana, opiate and amphetamine sectors. The lack of vehicles is a constant problem and many teams use private cars seized from drug traffickers and put to service with the authorization of the courts.

The investigators encounter a shortage of funds in doing their work. There is not money enough to pursue the investigations. A policeman says that when it is necessary to work on into the early morning and the following day on an investigation, he must spend his own funds for food. Some also complain about clothing. "How can I pursue an investigation in places frequented by high society without dressing properly? I have lost excellent opportunities--arresting drug dealers and contacts with addicts--because of appearance. Even in a suit and tie I can be spotted as a policeman. With what we earn there's not enough to dress well."

In cases involving people involved in politics, industry and "high society," certain deputies are assigned to the investigations. The majority of these authorities engage in activities in addition to police work, "the only way of having a better life," one deputy who has worked in combating drug dealing for many years explained.

Up until 31 May of this year, the drug division and other police authorities had arrested 1,106 persons on suspicion of involvement with drugs. Of these, 214 were charged after being caught red-handed, 110 were drug dealers and 128 addicts. A total of 24 inquests were ordered. In 1976, the division charged 286 persons, in 1977 438, and in 1978 584. Deputy Nestor Sampaio Penteado, head of the drug division, has been pursuing a campaign in cooperation with the schools to identify drug addicts and dealers for more than two months. Steps have already been taken to investigate possible links between students and drug sources in 300 secondary schools in the private, municipal and state education systems. A telephone line is to be established in the investigations and operations sector so that information about drug traffickers can be reported anonymously.

A recording apparatus will be attached to the telephone and the number will be popularized by printing it on light and telephone and, if possible, building tax bills, among others. Nestor Penteado is adopting a new working philosophy: he will charge drug dealers only, turning addicts over to their families "if it is a matter of suspicion only. Drug abuse charges will be filed when the addict is arrested in possession of a large quantity of drugs." The police work will also be done in conjunction with the state and prefecture secretariats of education. In the view of Nestor Sampaio Penteado, first level students should be instructed about drug risks. "Many people confuse things. They do not agree to bringing this problem up with children. But how can a young person know that marijuana does harm if he is not warned?"



At the drug division there is a department which organizes lectures for schools, service clubs and neighborhood friendship clubs. The requests for this service are increasing daily.

#### Free Sale In Cafes and Clubs

A well-known investor on the stock market, a young industrialist, a merchant in the textile branch, a lawyer and a former government official: these are the main dealers in drugs active in the clubs and cafes of Sao Paulo. According to some police agents, sales are made in parking lots, over a drink or even in business offices. Payment is always in cash.

The police say it is very difficult to catch these people in the act. "No cop can get into the places they frequent. The majority of them require presentation of a membership card. When a policeman shows his identification, everyone takes off and there is no one left to catch." The difficulty of access to these premises regarded as private has to do with the social and economic importance of their regular clients. This is yet another of the great barriers to identifying and arresting drug traffickers and dealers.

Two hours past midnight on a Saturday. In a luxury car parked in front of a club on 9 July Avenue, a gentleman waits. In a few minutes eight more persons, including two women, appear. The contact is brief. Some hurry into the club. Others jump in their cars and roar off. The police come, but they can find nothing in possession of the driver or in the car. The man shows his identification, says he is an industrialist and that he was waiting for a lady there. He says he is a friend of a number of authorities and wants to know why he is being questioned by drug division agents. The police, having not one shred of evidence, withdraw. They are, however, certain about his involvement in the drug traffic. He was pointed out by an addict arrested a few days ago in a discotheque on Augusta Street.

The police working in the campaign against drug traffickers also know that cocaine and marijuana are freely consumed in certain clubs. Those who frequent them know each other and strangers do not get in. Their companions, according to an investigator "also participate and it's all kept within the family." In a disco in the Bela Vista neighborhood, a Jardim Paulista club and in a "pop" cafe in Jardim Paulistano, a "powder session is held each week. In these places, cocaine is placed on a table and addicts use the drug while at the same time smoking reefers. A number of times the police have attempted to catch them at it and have found nothing. It is suspected that the drug dealer, a tall, well-dressed and well-educated man, screens those who enter and has confederates in the area who give warning when the police approach.

Last week, a policeman received a tip that in a private club near Faria Lima Avenue, marijuana and cocaine were being sold and consumed. He was blocked when he attempted to gain entry because he was not a member. The investigator

was certain of finding someone in possession of drugs and presented his identification. His informant was unable to get in. Inside the club, the investigator could not find even one suspect. "The moment I showed my identification," he said, "the chance was lost. Without any certainty I could not arrest anyone, because I know that to make a mistake in identification or even to be right but lacking proof in a place like that would mean dismissal or transfer to somewhere far from the capital."

The difficulties in working in the purview of high society are great, an investigator with considerable experience in the battle against drug dealing explains. "We know who is addicted, who is buying large quantities for resale, and thus to make a profit, mainly with cocaine. But these people have many friends, powerful friends. We know of people who even use private planes to obtain drugs from other countries, but we cannot even get close to them." A part of the cocaine sold in the discotheques, private clubs and cafes comes from Rio de Janeiro, where it is distilled and often processed with chemical products containing iron, cobalt and lead, which can lead to death due to acute kidney failure.

Some weeks ago, J., 22 years old, died after consuming a considerable quantity of drugs during a gathering of young people at a house in Brooklin Paulista. The friends who took him to the hospital said nothing about this, claiming that J. had felt ill after taking a spoonful of cough medicine.

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COLOMBIA

FEARS COFFEE RUST CARRIED BY COCAINE TRAFFICKERS

Bogota EL ESPECTADOR in Spanish 10 Jul 79 pp 1-A, 11-A

[Text] Pasto, 9 Jul--Technicians and professionals at the National Federation of Coffeegrowers [FEDECAFE] and the Colombian Agricultural Institute [ICA] did not rule out today the possibility that people involved in the drug traffic may also at some time carry coffee rust spores from Peru or Bolivia and introduce that disease into Colombia, thus ruining more than 9 years of efforts that have cost about 100 million pesos.

Coca and Coffee

Technicians and professionals from both FEDECAFE and the ICA who have traveled to the southern part of the continent--especially to Bolivia and Peru--told how coca crops in both of those countries are very close to the coffeegrowing areas. In many cases the plants from which cocaine is extracted are sown right in among the coffee trees.

As is known to everyone, there is a huge traffic in cocaine between Bolivia and Peru on the one hand and Colombia on the other. The traffickers often use secret routes in order to outmaneuver authorities of the two above-mentioned countries as well as of Colombia.

Contaminated Shipments

Spokesmen for both the National Federation of Coffeegrowers and the Colombian Agricultural Institute, which are participating in a big offensive in Narino to "exclude" coffee rust, did not rule out the possibility that shipments brought into Colombia by the so-called "mules" may be contaminated with the spores that spread the disease.

Neither did they rule out the possibility that many of the persons or "mules" in charge of transporting the drug from Bolivia or Peru may arrive with their clothing and baggage contaminated, since in most cases they visit the areas where the alkaloid is processed. As was said above, those areas are located in coffeegrowing zones of both countries where the presence of coffee rust has already been detected.

#### Extending the Campaign

Officials have been engaged in extensive action in Narino's rural areas for the purpose of educating and preparing coffeegrowers and the community in general in case coffee rust appears in that department. They stress the almost immediate urgency of extending the "exclusion campaign" to other areas of the country such as the Eastern Plains, Huila, and Leticia, which are not only necessary routes for the drug traffickers but also areas receiving the winds that blow in from Peru and Brazil.

They told how necessary it is, for example, to carry out in the Department of Huila a campaign similar to the one carried out to date in Narino. The reason is that because of the heavy traffic between Puerto Asis, Mocoa, and Pitalito, that route may provide an easy entrance for coffee rust.

#### Cost of a Campaign

For 10 consecutive years the National Federation of Coffeegrowers and the Colombian Agricultural Institute have been engaged in a broad campaign to educate people and control coffee rust throughout the country. They have sent technicians to become specialists on the subject to countries which have already been affected by the disease and whose economies, based on coffee, have suffered serious harm.

In the almost 10 years that the campaign has lasted, the effort to prevent the entry of coffee rust has cost almost 100 million pesos, for an average of 10 million pesos annually. If anyone, drug trafficker or not, were to bring coffee rust into Colombia, whether inadvertently or through thoughtlessness, it would mean the collapse of an extremely costly economic effort that has been made to keep the national territory free of the disease. Keeping the disease out has been the permanent objective of the National Federation of Coffeegrowers and the Colombian Agricultural Institute.

Many of the travelers who go by land from Colombia to the southern part of the continent--especially to Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, and Chile--for business, pleasure, or other reasons do not know what coffee rust is and are unaware of its grievous economic and social effects on a country such as ours, where coffee is the major source of foreign exchange.

A study by the Colombian Agricultural Institute reveals that the travelers entering and leaving Colombia at Ipiales on the Ecuadorean border are the ones least familiar with the disease in question.

Of the travelers arriving in our country from the south, 74.2 percent know nothing about coffee rust, while 48.5 percent of those leaving the country are in the same position.

That statistical circumstance forces the National Federation of Coffeegrowers and the Colombian Agricultural Institute to maintain in Ipiales not only an

educational campaign directed at the flow of travelers but also a program of special plant-health controls serving to keep out the coffee disease, which at some unfortunate moment for Colombia may be introduced either by a drug trafficker or by an innocent tourist.

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COLOMBIA

BRIEFS

**COCAINE SEIZURE AT ELDORADO AIRPORT**--An elderly person in possession of cocaine surrenders in Eldorado. Yesterday members of the Juridical Police Unit operating in the Eldorado airport arrested Arsenio Perdomo, who had a cardboard box containing three pounds of very pure cocaine. The arrest of the sexagenarian took place a little after he arrived at the airport on flight 200 from Leticia and when the investigators searched the contents of the box and found that it contained a shipment of alkaloid. Upon being subjected to an intensive interrogation, Perdomo said that a man had given him the box at the Leticia airport to take to Bogota in exchange for a small sum of money. The authorities now will ascertain if the old man's story is false or if he really was the innocent victim of one of the many drug traffickers who operate in the port above the Amazon, which has always been an active center for cocaine dealers. [Text] [Bogota EL ESPECTADOR in Spanish 26 Jun 79 p 19-A] 8255

**MARIHUANA, WEAPONS, TRAFFICKERS SEIZED**--In six days 21 traffickers were arrested on the Atlantic Coast. Twenty-one drug traffickers, from whom 362 packages of marihuana, weapons, and vehicles were seized, were arrested between 15 and 21 June on the Atlantic Coast. The Ministry of National Defense issued the following communique: In "El Corral de Piedra," under the jurisdiction of San Juan del Cesar, 14 persons who had 1 carbine, 10 shotguns, and 1 revolver, were arrested. In an inlet in the area of Chimula (Cesar), 20 abandoned packages of marihuana were found. In a depot in La Paz en route to Maicao, Francisco Bermudez was arrested. The following was confiscated from him: 3,000 9-millimeter projectiles, 150 for 38 long revolvers and 50 for 38 short revolvers. In "El Pajaro," an F-350 truck and 61 packages of marihuana were seized. In "Camarones," 20 packages of marihuana were seized and in "Punto Bomba" 6 persons, possessing 1 package of marihuana, 1 rifle, 1 carbine, 1 revolver, 3 pistols, and 3 shotguns were arrested. In "Caracoli," under the jurisdiction of San Juan, the authorities obtained 150 packages of marihuana and 2 trucks. In "Macho Bravo," 240 packages of marihuana, being transported in an F-750 truck, were seized. [Text] [Bogota EL TIEMPO in Spanish 23 Jun 79 p 3-A] 8255

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MEXICO

PRISON GUARD ARRESTED FOR SMUGGLING PILLS WITH INMATE

Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 14 Jul 79 Sec B p 3

[Text] A corrupt guard who had for some time been making money by bringing psychotropic substances into the Social Rehabilitation Center was caught in the act yesterday when a search was made of his person and a polyethylene bag containing approximately 150 pills was found in his clothing, as well as a similar package which he brought into the jail in the lunch pail in which he was supposedly carrying his meals.

Francisco Estrada Rangel is the name of the guard, who was turned over to the agency of the Federal Public Ministry for the pertinent questioning, as was the federal convict Ignacio Felix Carrizales; because the latter was the recipient of the psychotropic substances which were later to be sold to the drug addicts incarcerated in the Social Rehabilitation Center.

Upon being interviewed by EL MANANA, the distressed guard said: "I did it to help myself, because with the low salary that I earn, just as my fellow guards do, my family cannot live."

He added that, since the salaries are too low, he and other guards as well have to seek other means of helping themselves financially.

Hector Garcia Trevino, the warden of the local prison, told EL MANANA that, several months ago, the chief of the prison's guard force, Arturo Reyes Cisneros, discovered the trafficking of psychotropic substances among the inmates; and therefore a series of investigations began, which culminated on Thursday evening.

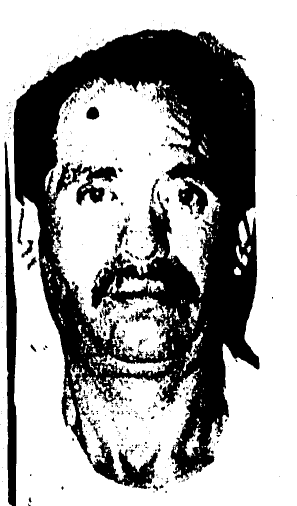
For several months, there was a definite suspicion concerning the participation of one or more of the guards with regard to the introduction of drugs into the jail. Therefore, the regulation was imposed that each and every one of them was to be searched upon starting their respective shifts. As might have been expected, this caused uneasiness among the guards, but the results fully justified this measure.

This was how it was discovered that Francisco Estrada was the person who was bringing in toxic pills of the type known as "prodoline."

Upon being questioned by Reyes Cisneros, the guard Francisco Estrada claimed that he was bringing in the pills at the order of the federal convict Ignacio Felix Carrizales, who was paying him regular amounts of money for the operations.



Ignacio Felix Carrizales was the federal convict to whom the toxic pills were being sent.



Francisco Estrada Rangel was the corrupt guard who was bringing psychotropic substances into the prison.

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MEXICO

**DRUG TRAFFICKING AMONG PRISON INMATES DISCOVERED**

Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 21 Jul 79 Sec B p 3

[Text] Yesterday, the illegal activities of two federal prisoners who had succeeded in eluding the guards and bringing toxic pills, heroin and opium gum into the Social Rehabilitation Center were discovered by the commander of the guard force at that prison, Mr Arturo Reyes Cisneros, and guards Jose Herrera Garces and Fernando Gonzalez, who dealt a phenomenal blow to the clandestine drug traffic in the municipal jail.

The Federal Judicial Police agents were ordered to continue the investigation of inmates Jesus Jimenez Gallegos and Roberto Rendon Ordonez, who had been engaged for some time in drug trafficking within the prison.

Pedro Hector Garcia Trevino, warden of the aforementioned jail, told EL MANANA that Arturo Reyes Cisneros had discovered the activities of the inmates in question several weeks ago, but since no concrete grounds existed, their movements were observed very carefully.

The results proved to be positive because, at 1200 hours yesterday, Reyes Cisneros, together with guards Jose Herrera and Fernando Gonzalez, proceeded to make a search of cell No 6 on the second floor (third section), which is occupied by the federal prisoner Jesus Jimenez Gallegos.

Reyes Cisneros found five packages inside an electric radio set. One of them contained a resinous substance which was apparently opium gum, weighing approximately 2 grams; another two contained a brown powder which appeared to be heroin; and the other two contained 350 apparently toxic pills.

Upon being questioned, Jimenez Gallegos confessed that those packages belonged to his friend, federal prisoner Roberto Rendon Ordonez, who occupies cell No 9 in the same section.

Both were removed from their cells and, through the pertinent written communications, were immediately placed at the disposal of the Federal Judicial Police for the appropriate interrogation.

**Investigation of Method They Used to Bring in Drugs**

Pedro Hector Garcia Trevino and Arturo Reyes Cisneros, the warden and commander of the guard force, respectively, at the Social Rehabilitation Center, told EL MANANA that, despite the fact that the vigilance has been intensified in all respects, some inmates (as in the present case) have managed to elude the guards and obtain quantities of drugs.

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MEXICO

DRUG TRAFFICKING INMATES UNDER INVESTIGATION

Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 22 Jul 79 Sec C p 4

[Text] Yesterday, the Federal Judicial Police confiscated a valuable shipment of drugs from Roberto Rendon Ordonez and Jesus Jimenez Gallegos, convicts who are serving sentences at the Social Rehabilitation Center for crimes against health.

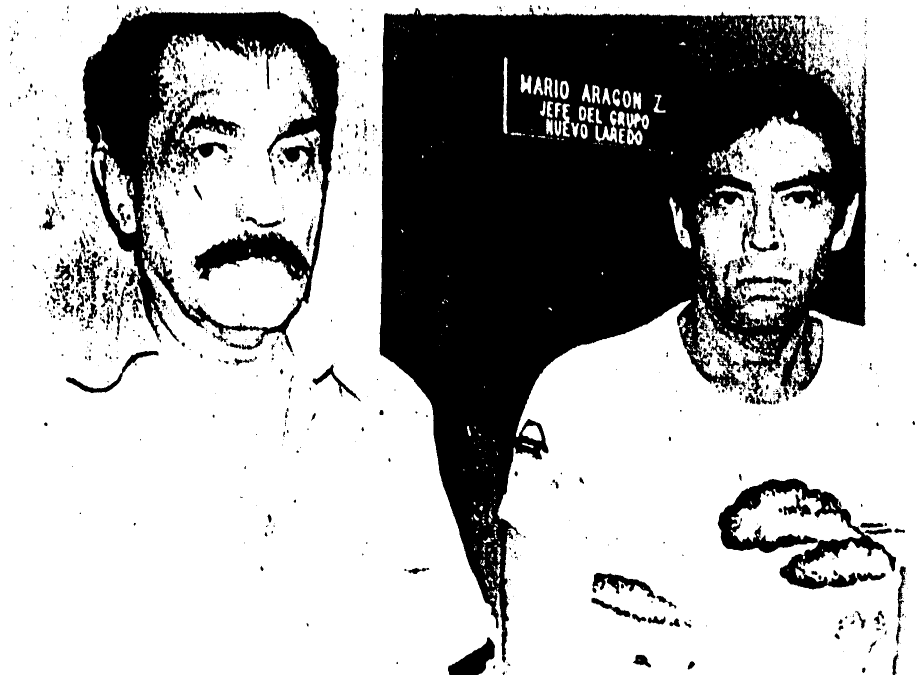
The drugs seized from Rendon Ordonez and Jimenez Gallegos inside this town's Social Rehabilitation Center consisted of 20 grams of a dark brown powder which is apparently heroin, 10 grams of a brown paste-like substance which also appears to be pure opium, and a total of 345 pills, which are said to be presumably, of the toxic variety known as "Vidalen," containing 10 milligrams.

The men being held are confined in the Federal Judicial Police lockup, where they are being questioned exhaustively by members of that police force regarding the drugs confiscated from them inside this town's Social Rehabilitation Center.

It should be noted that Roberto Rendon Ordonez and his comrade, Jesus Jimenez Gallegos, are serving prison sentences of 5 and 8 years for crimes against health at the Social Rehabilitation Center.

All that is being awaited is the chemical report, confirming whether the substances seized from Rendon Ordonez and Jimenez Gallegos were actually heroin, pure opium and toxic pills of the "Vidalen" type containing 10 milligrams.

Until that occurs, those currently in custody are being kept in the Federal Judicial Police lockup, where they are being closely questioned about the origin of the drugs found in their possession.



Roberto Ordonez and Jesus Jimenez are the names of these two individuals from whom a valuable shipment of drugs was confiscated inside the Social Rehabilitation Center. They were trafficking in the commodity, and are being held for questioning at the behest of the Federal Judicial Police.

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MEXICO

CONVICTED DRUG TRAFFICKER ORDERED TRANSFERRED TO MONTERREY

Nuevo Laredo EL DIARIO DE NUEVO LAREDO in Spanish 19 Jul 79 Sec B p 5

[Text] As a result of an injunction issued by the first district court of the state of Nuevo Leon, yesterday, the federal prisoner Mario Fernando Lee Lopez, who was incarcerated in the social rehabilitation center, was transferred from this town to Monterrey, Nuevo Leon.

The individual in custody was subjected to proceedings 131-979 in the third district court for a crime against health, since he was arrested last May when he was found to be involved in illegal drug trafficking activities.

Heavily guarded by forces of the Federal Judicial Police detailed to this town, the convict was taken to Monterrey, where he was placed at the disposal of the authorities who wanted him in order to continue the proceedings and to open further proceedings for the crimes that he committed in that city.

The injunction also sought the transfer of Guadalupe Gaona Esparza, the co-defendant of the federal prisoner, but it was not obtained, because the woman in custody was protected against such action.

The first district judge of the state of Nuevo Leon will open further proceedings against Mario Fernando Lee Lopez, in order to ascertain the reasons for his being wanted by the authorities in that state.

The woman in question is awaiting the resolution of her status in the social rehabilitation center in this town, because the injunction for her transfer was nullified since she is legally protected.

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MEXICO

MARIHUANA, HEROIN TRAFFICKERS RELEASED

Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 14 Jul 79 Sec B p 3

[Text] The federal convict Rodolfo Garza Cortez, alias "El Opi," who has been convicted on several occasions for his ties with the illegal drug business, recovered his freedom on Wednesday afternoon, when an acquittal in his favor was issued by the third district judge, who was of the opinion that he was not penally guilty of committing a crime against health in the degree of marihuana trafficking.

In the same case (202-979), an acquittal was also given to Mrs Hortencia Gloria Martinez, or Veronica Gonzalez Martinez, who went free on bail. She had been accused of the same crime, but in the degree of marihuana and heroin possession.

"El Opi's" arrest by the Federal Judicial Police took place on 2 November of last year, when he was about to board a Plymouth car with license plates FJJ-878, which he had parked in the lot of the "El Tio Tom" Restaurant.

He had a marihuana cigarette in his possession, and had concealed 9 toxic pills inside the car.

Upon being questioned, he said that the marihuana was part of a "pack" that he had bought in Laredo, Texas, for \$40, and sold here for \$50 to the prostitute Veronica Gonzalez.

Subsequently, Veronica Gonzalez was arrested, and her residence contained the marihuana as well as a small amount of heroin which an individual had left with her so that she could sell it.

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MEXICO

CONVICTED TRAFFICKER ARRESTED FOR ASSAULT

Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 14 Jul 79 Sec B p 3

[Text] The ex-convict Leonel Cardenas Alvarez, who obtained his release some months ago after serving a sentence for drug trafficking, was arrested on Thursday night by the State Judicial Police, because there was a warrant for his arrest issued by the penal judge of the first instance, who wanted him for his presumed guilt in committing the crimes of assault, threat and breaking and entering, the victim of which was Teresa Vazquez Lopez.



Leonel Cardenas Alvarez, an ex-convict for drug trafficking, was captured by the State Judicial Police because he was wanted by the penal judge of the first instance as an individual presumed guilty of the crimes of assault, threat and breaking and entering.

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MEXICO

MARIHUANA PLANTATIONS, DRYING FACILITIES DESTROYED

Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 20 Jul 79 Sec B p 3

[Text] Three marihuana plantations of moderate size were discovered and destroyed by agents of the Federal Judicial Police detailed to Saltillo, Coahuila, who located the planted areas on Wednesday afternoon on a site known as "Puerto de Barro," in the municipality of Rayones, in the state of Nuevo Leon.

The federal agents are conducting a careful investigation in order to identify the owner or owners of the farm on which the plantations were discovered.

Yesterday, the Federal Public Ministry kept the results of the probe confidential, but it was learned that several individuals have already been arrested in connection with the investigation.

One of the plantations measures 200 by 50 meters, with 25 plants per square meter which have reached a height of 1.60 meters. Another measures 300 by 100 meters, with 20 plants per square meter which have an average height of 40 centimeters; and the third measures 100 by 50 meters, with 20 plants per square meter with an average height of 30 centimeters.

A "Romana" scale was discovered in an abandoned house on the farm in question.

After the necessary samples to be used as evidence of the crime had been obtained, the plantations were destroyed.

A structure especially built to dry the cannabis indica was also destroyed.

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SUPPLIER OF HEROIN TRAFFICKERS SENTENCED

Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 14 Jul 79 Sec B p 3

[Text] Yesterday, the drug trafficker Ernesto Jose Maria Estrada Lopez was sentenced to a term of 5 years and 10 months in jail for his guilt in committing a crime against health in the degree of heroin trafficking.

This individual was captured in Sinaloa by the Federal Judicial Police, since there was a warrant for his arrest in connection with proceedings No 53-976, which were heard in the third district court, and during the course of which the circumstances under which the underworld figure Hector Chavarria Moreno died because of the brutal interrogation methods used on him by the Federal Judicial Police were established.

In the same case, Hector Chavarria Marquez and Jose Manuel Torres are currently in custody, and each was sentenced to 7 years in prison.

The incidents took place on 5 March 1976, when federal agents arrived at the "Coconut" nightclub, because they had a tip that its owner, Hector Chavarria Moreno, was engaged in heroin trafficking.

According to the report which the federal agents submitted, the aforementioned individual attempted to escape, whereupon he was subdued by a beating which caused his death 2 hours later.

Subsequently, Chavarria Moreno took the agents to his residence, where he turned over several bottles and containers of heroin.

His son, Hector Chavarria Marquez, was also arrested, because he was participating in the transactions involving the purchase and sale of heroin.

During the investigation, it was disclosed that Ernesto Jose Maria Estrada Lopez was the individual who was selling the heroin to Hector Chavarria Moreno in Sinaloa. Hence, the warrant for his arrest was issued, and was executed some months later by the Federal Judicial Police.

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TRAFFICKER CAUGHT WITH HEROIN GIVEN JAIL SENTENCE

Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 13 Jul 79 Sec B p 2

[Text] The drug trafficker Francisco Rivera Quezada, who has served sentences on several occasions for engaging in the illegal drug business, and who is currently in custody at the Social Rehabilitation Center, will serve a prison term of 6 years and 6 months and, simultaneously, will be required to pay a fine of 7,245 pesos for his guilt in committing a crime against health in the degrees of transportation and trafficking (in the form of purchasing) of heroin.

This sentence was handed down by the second district judge, Luis Garcia Romero, who was of the opinion that there was sufficient evidence with which to convict Rivera Quezada; because, in addition to the fact that the Federal Judicial Police provided sufficient proof, there are records attesting to the accused's status as a second offender.

On 13 October 19 [numbers missing], the federal agents staked out the "El Rio" Motel, because they had information to the effect that a transaction involving the purchase and sale of heroin was to take place there.

Shortly after noon, a pickup truck arrived, occupied by two individuals, one of whom got out and headed for the restaurant, while the second remained in the vehicle.

Later, when the federal agents noticed that the driver of the pickup truck was still on one side of it, they approached and searched his person, finding a dose of heroin which he claimed to be carrying for his personal use.

At the same time, he said that he was carrying more drugs inside the truck. Under the seat, the federal agents discovered several polyethylene bags containing 8 and a half ounces of heroin which, according to the individual under arrest, he purchased for 400,000 pesos in Guadalajara, Jalisco.

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MEXICO

**MEMBERS OF PILL SMUGGLING RING CAPTURED**

Nuevo Laredo EL DIARIO DE NUEVO LAREDO in Spanish 20 Jul 79 Sec B p 5

[Text] Forces of the Federal Judicial Police detailed to this town succeeded in capturing the members of a ring of drug distributors following a brilliant investigation which they conducted.

Those under arrest are Ramon Aldaz Cuevas, Jose Cruz Martinez Lugo and Agustin Barrios Quiroz who, at the time of their capture, were found to have 7,200 toxic pills properly labeled "Qualude-300" in their possession.

When the individuals under arrest were questioned, the Federal Judicial Police learned that Ramon Diaz was the one who obtained the goods in Mexico City, and brought them to this town, from which they were taken to the United States by him, together with Jose Cruz Martinez and Agustin Barrios.

In their statements, the three prisoners confessed that, after taking the pills to the American side, they proceeded to sell them for 50 cents apiece.



Ramon Aldaz Cuevas obtained the pills in the nation's capital, to smuggle them into the United States with the aid of his accomplices.



Agustin Barrios Quiroz was arrested by federal agents when caught, in the company of his accomplices, with 7,200 toxic pills.



This individual, who answers to the name of Jose Cruz Martinez Lugo, was arrested for a crime against health and is at the disposal of the judicial authorities.

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MEXICO

#### BRIEFS

**WANTED TRAFFICKER CAPTURED**--In compliance with a warrant for rearrest issued by the state district judge located in Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, yesterday forces of the Federal Judicial Police detailed to this town arrested Emilio Argelio Flores Garza, who has been identified as an individual presumed guilty of crimes against health on the basis of proceedings No 109-74. After Flores Garza was arrested, he was taken to Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, where he will be at the disposal of the first state district judge located in that northern city, according to the report prepared by the Federal Judicial Police. Flores Garza, now in custody, was captured by forces of the city's police in a section far removed from that locality. He had been assiduously sought by the Nuevo Leon authorities, who had been unsuccessful in capturing him. [Text] [Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 22 Jul 79 Sec C p 4] 2909

**PILL TRAFFICKERS JAILED**--The third district judge issued an order for the official imprisonment of Jose Cruz Martinez Lugo and Ramon Aldaz Cuevas, as individuals presumed guilty of committing a crime against health, the former in the degree of attempted trafficking of toxic pills, and the latter in the degree of possession and transportation of the same drugs. Both were arrested on 19 July of this year by agents of the Federal Judicial Police. The investigation started at the time of the arrest of Agustin Barrios Quiroz, who confessed that he was engaged in trafficking with toxic pills that he was purchasing from Jose Cruz Martinez. This prompted the search for Cruz Martinez, who confirmed Barrios Quiroz' statement and, at the same time, said that he was being supplied with psychotropic substances by the drug trafficker Ramon Aldaz Cuevas, a resident of Ciudad Mier, Tamaulipas. [Text] [Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 28 Jul 79 Sec B p 3] 2909

**PRISONERS BEING RELEASED**--Continuing with the policy and conforming with the wishes of Governor Alfonso G. Calderon to the effect that those guilty of federal crimes who are incarcerated in the Sinaloa jails secure the benefit of a release because they have been found guilty to a minimum degree of the crime categorized as that against health, 64 inmates of that type have been freed, as well as eight guilty of common crimes, in Mazatlan. The foregoing announcement was made to EL SOL DE SINALOA by Fernando Garcia Felix, head of the state government, who remarked that the scope of the action

taken by Calderon Velarde has made it possible to take these steps, which will be continued at the Los Mochis prison. He added that Marcial Flores Reyes, deputy director of crime prevention and social rehabilitation for the Secretariat of Government, would be in Sinaloa in 2 weeks to continue the work aimed at releasing other individuals concerned in this matter who are confined in the state's jails. The state official noted that the Mazatlan inmates were released en masse, something which could not be done in this capital city owing to the status of the records and the fact that nearly 40 inmates of the Social Rehabilitation Institute had requested pardons and their cases could not be settled yet. He said: "When the pardons have been waived, these individuals will have greater opportunities to be released, and we expect this to happen." [Text] [Culiacan EL SOL DE SINALOA in Spanish 16 Jul 79 p 7] 2909

DRUG TRAFFICKER MURDERED--Ciudad Miguel Aleman, Tamaulipas--Yesterday morning the corpse of a presumed drug trafficker was discovered on a road leading to the municipal dump, on a site known as "Los Papalotes." The body had three bullet wounds in the back. The deceased was identified as Efren Martinez Coronel, aged 26, a resident of this town, whose death is presumed to have occurred at dawn. Porfirio Trevino Olivares, chief of the State Judicial Police group in this town, reported that Martinez Coronel may have been the victim of revenge, because after his murderers had killed him, they drove a vehicle over the body to finish him off, and gave him a coup-de-grace in the heart. Police sources remarked that Martinez Coronel had for some time been earning a great deal of money, and that he had constant connections with the drug trafficking rings operating in the area. About 2 years ago, Martinez Coronel struck and killed a bricklayer with his pickup truck; and, 2 months ago, he hit a little girl with a motorcycle that he was driving; but, since these were accidents due to negligence, vengeance on the part of the victims' relatives has been discounted. On the other hand, the police feel that Martinez Coronel was the victim of a drug trafficking ring because of some kind of "doublecross" or informing, as they remarked. [Text] [H. Matamoros EL BRAVO in Spanish 16 Jul 79 p 8] 2909

PILL TRAFFICKER'S WIFE ARRESTED--Maria Luisa Salcido de Gamez, wife of the trafficker Marcelino Gamez Valencia, was arrested yesterday by forces of the Federal Judicial Police for marihuana trafficking, in an incident which took place in the downtown area. The commander of the Federal Judicial Police here in Nogales told DIARIO yesterday that "La Guera Gamez," a drug trafficker in the town, had been arrested in compliance with a warrant for her arrest issued by the second district judge in the state, Cayetano Valencia Hernandez, for a crime against health in the degree of sale and trafficking of marihuana. "La Guera Gamez" was arrested while fleeing from the Federal Judicial Police in the middle of the business district. This woman is the wife of drug trafficker Marcelino Gamez Valencia, who has been arrested by the Federal Judicial Police on more than two occasions with marihuana and several hundred thousand toxic pills of the type known as "Qualude-300" in his possession. [Text] [Nogales DIARIO DE NOGALES in Spanish 14 Jul 79 p 4] 2909

TOURIST CAUGHT WITH COCAINE--Mexico City, 16 July--Yesterday, agents of the Federal Judicial Police arrested a female drug trafficker who was attempting to take cocaine with a black market value in excess of 2 million pesos into the United States. The American, Nancy Lee Johnson, arrived in our town from Bogota, Colombia; and, when she was going through customs, the agents in the narcotics division suspected her because of the speed of her movements, despite the fact that she appeared to be pregnant. It was therefore decided to have a female agent search her, and the agent discovered that she had a package tied to her to resemble a protruding abdomen in which she was carrying the aforementioned drugs. [Text] [Nogales DIARIO DE NOGALES in Spanish 17 Jul 79 p 4] 2909

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URUGUAY

TWO TRIED FOR HALLUCINOGEN TRAFFICKING, SELLING TO MINORS

Montevideo EL PAIS in Spanish 28 Jun 79 p 11

[Article: "Drug Trafficking; Two Prosecuted"]

[Text] They sold marihuana obtained in Brazil to 14-16 year old minors. The judge also ordered another internment.

Last night the Third Circuit Court ordered the incarceration of two persons who for one year had been dealing in the trafficking of drugs from Brazil for delivery to Montevideo for the use of 14-16 year old minors.

The information that has been leaked out--as yet there is no official version in this regard--indicates that the two traffickers, 21 and 23 years of age, were sent to prison by the officiating judge, Dr. Daniel I. Gutierrez Proto, for the crimes of commercialization and provision of drugs. He also ordered the internment of another person, 20 years old, a drug addict connected with the case.

The contemptible traffickers took their goods to dance halls and on Saturdays sold them to minors. For an average price of N\$10 a cigarette, they poisoned them with marihuana brought from Brazil. Both prosecuted persons made half a dozen trips to Livramento, that borders on Rivera, and from there brought the drug which, conveniently "diluted," yielded them abundant profits.

It has become known that one of the prosecuted persons acted as a trader at fairs--a good cover that he used to commercialize the "Cannabis Sativa L" without further problems--and the other was an artist who had set up a miserable studio to which several persons went. The latter were interested not in pictures--mediocre copies from famous artists--but in the cigarettes that he freely distributed.

In accordance with the criminal code ("Commercialization" and "Provision"), both prosecuted persons could be imprisoned for up to 15 years, since



article 36 of law 14,294 is specific regarding provision to persons under 21 years of age. At its beginning, it says: "A sentence of 4 to 15 years in prison is applicable in the following cases: when there is a sale, facilitation, or provision of the substances to which article 1 refers (psychotropic substances) to a person under 21 years of age or one who is deprived of judgment or willingness.

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IRAN

**CULTIVATION OF OPIUM POPPIES TO BE OUTLAWED**

Tehran KEYHAN in Persian 1 Jul 79 p 3

[Text] The last meeting of the symposium on addiction in Iran was held in the presence of the minister of health and welfare and a group of specialists and commentators under the chairmanship of Dr Ibrahim Yazdi, minister of foreign affairs and member of the Islamic Society of Physicians. The meeting was held at building No 11 of the Ministry of Health. The primary principles of the symposium was announced by the deputy minister of narcotics and drug affairs of the Ministry of Health and Welfare in five points as follows:

1) Prohibition of opium cultivation; 2) fighting with smugglers and trafficking of narcotics; 3) providing adequate and necessary facilities for treatment of addicts in a specific time; 4) educating, informing the people especially the youth and the families via mass media, and school-books in the schools; 5) to make the environment healthy by spreading the idea of Islamic monotheism.

Our reporter indicates that the announced principles combined together with the comments and proposals--more than 10 articles and speeches were delivered in four meetings of the symposium--will be published and submitted to the government within the next week.

In this afternoon's meeting, the lecturers talked about treatment of the addicts in hospitals and the followup treatment of addict patients and psychotherapy. Some of the social workers and parents of the addicts made some comments. In this meeting, Dr Ibrahim Yazdi, minister of foreign affairs, who is one of the founders of the Islamic Society of Physicians said: Today's societies are in a sick condition which has taken away man's humane nature and turned him into a stranger to himself. When a man finds his final identity and knows who he is, he can overcome his addiction. In order to fight with addiction we should see how we can (persuade) the addicts to find themselves.

He added: In Iran's present atmosphere the methods of fighting with addictions should be different from the classic methods, since addiction

is due to social, economic and political conditions. In this revolutionary time, we should present revolutionary plans to fight with addiction. At this era of social construction and human development, we should uproot this blight with revolutionary proposals.

Our reporter adds that in yesterday's afternoon meeting, Dr Ibrahim Yazdi, minister of foreign affairs, who is one of the founders of the Islamic Society of Physicians talked about the disease of addiction in human society and uprooting it. Then Dr Kazem Yazdi, deputy minister of health for narcotics and drug affairs, said: We are trying to help uproot addiction with the capabilities/facilities that we have at our disposal. In addition to using the former treatment centers we have and we should set up new treatment centers in Esfahan, Shiraz, Khoramabad and Tehran.

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UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

BRIEFS

HEROIN GANG ARRESTED--Abu Dhabi, 8 August--Today's issue of the Abu Dhabi paper AL-ITTIHAD reports that UAE security authorities have apprehended a gang that was smuggling eight bags of heroin valued at about 80,000 dirhams to the UAE. The paper says that the gang is made up of seven members of various nationalities. One of the members, a Lebanese, confessed the names of the other gang members. He said that one of the gang members, a Bengali, had dealt in heroin in Peshawar in Pakistan at the request of another accused, a Pakistani. He also said that the drugs were pushed by two Pakistanis, an Iranian, a Bengali and a Somali. [Text] [Doha QNA in Arabic 1140 GMT 7 Aug 79 JN]

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CYPRUS

BRIEFS

NARCOTICS CONFISCATED--Limassol, 6 Aug--Today the police searched a private car driven by Lebanese citizen Victor Louis 'Aziz on the Limassol-Nicosia highway and found 100 kilos of hashish. According to reports, 'Aziz flew into Cyprus on 16 July and was staying at the Four Lanterns Hotel in Larnaca. The arrested went to Limassol today and after holding contacts with suspicious persons here he gave rise to suspicions. The police were then summoned and put him under surveillance, after which they arrested him. It has been concluded that he is a member of a gang that probably brought this large quantity of hashish into Cyprus in small installments. This is probably the first time that such an astonishingly large quantity of hashish has been brought into Cyprus. Victor Louis 'Aziz is being held at the Limassol police station and will be taken before the court tomorrow. [Text] [Nicosia ELEVTHERI KYPROS in Greek 7 Aug 79 p 8 NC]

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DENMARK

CENTRAL REGISTER OF NARCOTICS OFFENDERS PROPOSED

Copenhagen BERLINGSKE TIDENDE in Danish 2 Jul 79 p 5

[Article by Anders Jerichow]

[Text] The People's Movement for Human Treatment of Narcotics Offenders wants to establish a central register of all narcotics offenders.

The movement, which is principally made up of Dr Ole Hjorto's methadone clients, their relatives and a few doctors and nurses, has already started such a register while waiting for the government's decision on the matter.

Mischa Asvarisch, the chairman of the movement, said that the temporary register only includes its own members.

"However, the aim of the register is to get a general idea of the number of narcotics offenders in Denmark. Right now, we do not know how many are involved," said Asvarisch.

"A central register would aid in the treatment of drug offenders. We would also be able to follow up on the individual drug offender and have a chance to evaluate which methods of treatment work the best. The register would tell us something about the extent and the kinds of consequential illnesses connected with the use of various narcotics."

Medical Director Preben Freitag, who up until last Friday has been in charge of an ambulatory methadone clinic, said that he "was formerly opposed to the idea of a central register. But now I am not so skeptical any more. By means of a central register we would be able to control the treatment of drug offenders and to measure the results. We have not had a comprehensive study of the results connected with the treatment of drug addicts since 1973. But we know that the number of "old" drug offenders, who have used narcotics for a number of years, remains fairly constant. A register might give the reason for that."

John Andersson, who heads the privately owned Day and Night Center (which has an agreement with the city of Copenhagen), is not in favor of the idea:

"A register would be rather ill-advised--who should have access to it--and what would be the basis of evaluation? The drug addicts we treat are widely different and cannot be compared."

One who has used narcotics for many years told BERLINGSKE: "The register is supposed to "mark" drug offenders. But can we be further marked? Most of us have spent time in hospitals, prisons and institutions. There are stacks of reports on us, so there is little object in a register, as far as I can see. A central register would be helpful only if it meant help for us later."

Parliament dealt with a proposal to register narcotics offenders in January last year, but a majority of the parties in Parliament opposed it.

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DENMARK

**EIGHT ARRESTED IN COPENHAGEN DRUG CRACKDOWN**

Copenhagen BERLINGSKE TIDENDE in Danish 2 Jul 79 p 3

[Text] Eight persons were arrested when police entered an apartment on Istedgade in Copenhagen, which has been under surveillance for a long time due to drug traffic. According to police, the traffic to and from the apartment was particularly heavy last Saturday. Several persons who were arrested explained that they had been busy getting "supplies" prior to attending the Roskilde Festival.

Five of the eight were released after being questioned, while three were brought before the judge on duty in Copenhagen, charged with the sale of narcotics. A 21-year old woman and a 25-year old man were sentenced to 12 days in prison, while a 27-year old man got 5 days in prison. They all pleaded "not guilty" and said they were drug addicts who had just enough narcotics for their own use.

The 21-year old woman was arrested as she was leaving the apartment. As she was being escorted into the police car, she threw four containers of heroin into the street. She explained that she had just purchased the heroin at Enghave Plads for her own use.

The 25-year old man was arrested in the apartment. He was handcuffed on the way down the stairs and when that happened, he dropped a bag containing 10 grams of heroin. The man said he knew nothing about the bag, which must have been lying on the steps all along.

The 27-year old man was also arrested in the apartment, where police found seven grams of heroin, 160 grams hashish, some scales and some needle containers. Police also found some foreign currency, as well as 32,000 kroner in a sofa pillow. They all said the money had been saved from their aid payments.

Concerning the many people who had been in and out of the apartment, all three said they were just visitors.

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DENMARK

SOCIAL DEMOCRATS OPPOSE INTERIOR MINISTER ON METHADONE CLINICS

Copenhagen INFORMATION in Danish 28 Jun 79 pp 1, 10

[Article by Erik Meier Carlsen: "Social Democrats and Liberals Also Fight About Narcotics Policy"]

[Text] Bernhard Tastesen (Social Democrat) is fighting an underhanded attempt by the Liberals to change Denmark's narcotics policy.

About a month ago, with the aid of fellow party member Soren Sorensen, director of the Board of Public Health, Interior Minister Knud Enggaard disregarded the competence of the so-called Narcotics Council by a stroke of the pen and thus prepared the way for the establishment of methadone clinics, which is clearly a departure from Denmark's present narcotics policy. Enggaard initiated this change in a written reply to the Parliamentary Social Affairs Committee, which is chaired by Tastesen.

Retreating

However, Tastesen says he has now convinced the minister to retreat from his position, or at least postpone a decision on the matter.

"The Interior Minister has already modified his first reply to the Social Affairs Committee," Tastesen told INFORMATION.

"After consulting with the Social Affairs Committee and the Contact Committee, the interior minister has given us a clear modification and we have also received confirmation that there will be no changes of any kind until we receive a report which is now being prepared by a working committee under the Contact Committee concerning the feasibility of methadone clinics," said Tastesen.

Old Issue Disputed

The question of prolonged methadone treatments has been a disputed issue for many years in the narcotics debate.

Up to now, responsible sources have been opposed to prolonged methadone treatments on the basis that we are actually not talking about treatment, but rather allowing those persons so treated to continue using drugs, which might even constitute a serious threat to any other kind of treatment that would attempt to deal with the problems underlying drug abuse.

One could detect the early beginnings of change when the Board of Public Health intervened in Dr Ole Hjorto's private methadone treatment of more than 100 drug-dependent clients. The situation developed when Copenhagen city physician H. Knipschildt and the city took it upon themselves to continue the prolonged methadone treatments that had been started by Hjorto. Later, Medical Director Preben Freitag, who has publicly said he favors the use of methadone, was asked to run three temporary methadone clinics for Hjorto's clients.

The Copenhagen Narcotics Council was terminated when Freitag was asked to assume this task.

The Narcotics Councils, which have been established in cities and counties, are made up of medical and social-pedagogical experts, who, up to now, have been able to determine whether to use methadone or not.

The board's disregard for the Copenhagen Narcotics Council was of concern to communist Tove Jorgensen, among others, who worried about the rumored attempt to systematically change Denmark's present narcotics policy.

Due to persistent rumors--which were later confirmed--that Preben Freitag planned to continue treating some of Dr Hjorto's clients in a private methadone clinic after closing the temporary clinics in July, Tove Jorgensen, through the Parliamentary Social Affairs Committee, asked the interior minister about the possibility of establishing such a clinic.

The Narcotics Councils had categorically refused all previous requests to establish private methadone clinics.

#### Enggaard's Reply

However, Enggaard's reply to Tove Jorgensen's request to establish a private methadone clinic read:

"In response to your request the Board of Public Health has decided that, based on available information about such clinics from Copenhagen city and county Narcotics Councils, which are designed to handle problems connected with long-term methadone treatment of drug addicts, these clinics are not functioning properly. Therefore, the aid and guidance which these councils were supposed to provide practicing physicians and others planning to start methadone treatment of drug addicts have not been forthcoming.

Hence, the Board of Public Health has no objection to your request to establish a methadone clinic, providing it be done with responsible leadership and with reasonable control of patients, including social-pedagogical help."

This is the answer Tastesen claims was later modified.

#### Strongly Opposed to Clinics

However, Tastesen was not satisfied with that.

At a meeting Wednesday the Social Affairs Committee asked the interior minister if he, by means of prescription regulations, could guarantee that no methadone clinic be established outside the official system.

The committee also asked the minister if he could guarantee a continued standard narcotics policy throughout Denmark, thus prohibiting individual counties from establishing such clinics, be it under private or government management.

"We are among those who believe that the government should maintain its present narcotics policy, which determines that a drug addict shall only receive methadone treatments following an evaluation of his case by a methadone council," said Tastesen. "I am strongly opposed to methadone clinics. Evaluations must be made on an individual basis; there can be no talk of a clinic arrangement, because that would radically change the whole system, making methadone treatments a matter of official politics," said Tastesen.

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FINLAND

OVER 60 FINNS TO BE CHARGED WITH DRUG DEALING

Helsinki HELSINGIN SANOMAT in Finnish 29 May 79 p 3

[Article: "More than 60 People Caught in Drug Dealing"]

[Excerpt] More than 60 individuals in five locations are being accused of involvement in the smuggling, sales, and use of drugs. An investigation of the narcotics section of the Central Criminal Police, which has lasted a couple months, has revealed hashish dealings in Kotka, Loviisa, Porvoo, and Leiksa.

The drug dealers disclosed by the Central Criminal Police include dozens of 20-year old youth. The hashish has been brought in primarily through Sweden and was confiscated from a couple of Loviisa men at the customs office in Naantali.

"It is not a question of a unified league, but the individuals involved are connected with each other in a rather ambiguous manner. The amounts smuggled have been relatively small," stated Office Chief Kaarlo Nummela of the Central Criminal Police.

The investigations of these drug cases are nearly complete and documents are being sent to prosecutors. According to Nummela it is still uncertain whether the cases will be heard separately in different locations or whether they will be united into a single accusation at the same court.

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FINLAND

THREE FACE CHARGES FOR SMUGGLING HASHISH FROM USSR

'Soviet Connection' Described

Helsinki UUSI SUOMI in Finnish 14 Jun 79 p 24

[Article: "2.7 kg from Behind the Border: Hashish Incident in the Courts"]

[Text] The hearing of the case concerning the smuggling of 2.7 kg of hashish from the Soviet Union has begun in the Helsinki Municipal Court.

Municipal Public Prosecutor Ritva Santavuori demanded punishment for the three men from Lappeenranta. It is expected that there are twice as many people involved in this case.

Brought to the court as prisoners were Teuvo Johannes Heikkinen, born 1951, engine assembler Jarmo Juha Olavi Heiskanen, born 1953, and teacher Reijo Olavi Kilpinen, born 1955.

In addition to a narcotics violation Santavuori considered Kilpinen guilty of a flagrant smuggling of narcotics and Heikkinen and Heiskanen of two counts of flagrant smuggling.

According to the accusation on 1 April Heikkinen smuggled in 2 kilos of hashish, purchased in Leningrad, through the customs port of entry at Nuijamaa. On 4 February he also smuggled in 700 grams of this substance which he had obtained in Tallinn.

Santavuori argued that the 2 kilos was brought in with the help of Heiskanen and Kilpinen and the 700 grams with the help of Heiskanen.

On 15 May the police confiscated 1,248 grams of hashish from a rental car on Pietari Street in Helsinki and arrested the accused.

The accused partly admitted and partly denied the accusations and the forfeiture demands, which were 51,000 markkas for Heikkinen and Heiskanen and 35,090 markkas for Kilpinen.

After having heard the arguments of the counsel of the accused Santavuori considered that it seemed that an attempt was being made to blame the smuggling of 2 kilos completely on Heikkinen. He pointed out that all three were in the same car when the remaining 1,248 grams were confiscated.

#### Valtsu and Pomo

At the police inquiry Heikkinen stated that he had made a deal with Valtsu or Valdemar Sud and his protegee Pomo.

Payment was made partly in money and partly in jeans and leather coats, among other things. However, the greatest portion of the transaction remained as a debt.

The 700 grams purchased in Tallinn were concealed in the bicycle tires purchased by Heikkinen and the 2 kilos obtained in Leningrad were concealed in a box containing a tea set.

The sellers stated that they had obtained the hashish someplace 4,000-5,000 kilometers away and that the journey was dangerous.

Heikkinen also stated that over a period of 4-5 years he had made approximately 20 trips to the Soviet Union and had even acted as a tour guide. Heiskanen went along on five trips. During the last couple trips Susi and Pomo met the group in Viipuri [Vyborg] and began their clothing transactions immediately from there.

The men had also discussed the possibility of purchasing icons. They obtained Finnish brides for themselves from the Raisio side and requested that velvet wedding attire be sent from Finland for the wedding. These they obtained.

#### In the Saimaa Islands

Heiskanen, for his part, had told the police that the confiscated hashish was his and that he had grown it in the Saimaa Islands. Later he considered it best to confess and explained that he had packed the hashish in a bicycle tire purchased in Tallinn as a gift for his daughter.

Kilpinen admitted that he had dealt in hashish. However, he denied knowing that the hashish was smuggled.

Since the prosecutor requested a postponement and the counsels of the accused promised to return to the matter, the case was postponed until 25 June. The prisoners were sent back to the provincial jail.

### Smugglers Sentenced

Helsinki HELSINGIN SANOMAT in Finnish 10 Jul 79 p 8

[Article: "Jail Sentence for Dope Smuggling from Soviet Union"]

[Text] Three men from Lappeenranta were given a jail sentence by the Helsinki Municipal Court for smuggling approximately 3 kilos of hashish from the Soviet Union and selling this substance in Finland.

According to the information of the court salesman Teuvo Heikkinen and engine assembler Jarmo Heiskanen brought into Finland 700 grams of hashish from Tallinn in February. In April the two men together with teacher Reijo Kilpinen planned another procurement trip to Leningrad. The 2 kilos of hashish obtained there was brought into Finland at the customs port of entry at Nuijamaa.

The amount of narcotics smuggled in by the men is the largest single drug consignment that has ever been brought in from the Soviet Union.

Heikkinen and Haskanen were found guilty of two counts of flagrant drug smuggling as well as the sale of drugs and were given a jail sentence of 2 years and 10 months. Kilpinen received a sentence that was 3 months shorter for one count of flagrant smuggling as well as the sale of drugs.

Green hashish amounting to 1,250 grams was confiscated from the men. They were sentenced to pay the state 50,650 markkas assessed as the value of the drugs as well as forfeit to the state 15,000 markkas assessed as the value of the automobile used in the smuggling.

A graphic artist from Helsinki who purchased 1,400 markkas' worth of this hashish was fined 1,900 markkas and was ordered to compensate the state for the value of the drugs used by him. In addition to him, four other individuals were accused of purchasing this same hashish. It has been confirmed that the hashish has made its way into Helsinki jazz music circles. Their case will be heard on 20 August.

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FRANCE

BRIEFS

PARIS DRUG ARRESTS--It was learned today that three Colombians and a French citizen have been arrested in Paris by the Drug-Traffic Prevention Brigade. A Colombian smuggler, Elia Garavito, 35, born in Velez Santander, brought 4 kilos of cocaine into France through the airport customs in early July hidden in two suitcases with false bottoms. Once installed in Paris, Colombians Hermandó Munoz, of Santander, and Fernando Gómex, of Bogota, sold the cocaine for 117 dollars per gram in the bars of Montparnasse with the help of French citizen Jacky Losa. Two nights ago, the French police raided the hotels of Montparnasse and arrested the aforementioned four persons who are now awaiting trial. Two kilos of the cocaine were seized, while the two other kilos had already been sold. [Text] [Bogota EL TIEMPO in Spanish 28 Jul 79 p 11-A]

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GREECE

BRIEFS

MAFIA MEMBERS SENTENCED--The Lebanese citizen and boat owner Joseph Zreik, 37, arrested near Corfu on suspicion of being involved in a drug smuggling ring involving over three and a half tons of hashish and five kilos of heroin, was sentenced to seven years imprisonment. Two Greeks charged with him, one an importer, the other a policeman, have also been found guilty and have been sentenced. Sources report that the three are members of an international mafia drug group operating in the Mediterranean and the Middle East. The two men charged had several connections with the Italian Mafia via Corfou, while the policeman acted more in an auxiliary capacity, for example when forged dollars were to be changed in banks. The policeman has been sentenced to 14 years imprisonment for his part in the affair. Meanwhile, Interpol and other flying drug squads have been asked to check the Italian Mafia connections of the two charged men. [Text] [Athens ATHENS NEWS in English 7 Jul 79 p 4]

ARRESTS FOR HEROIN POSSESSION--West German Max Einhan, 30, and his Australian girlfriend Denise Senwick 27, were arrested yesterday after being under police surveillance for sometime. In the couple's room at a Plaka hotel police found 50 grams of heroin which, according to the police, the two suspects were offering for sale at 20,000 drachmas per gram. [Text] [Athens ATHENS NEWS in English 7 Jul 79 p 45]

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NETHERLANDS

BRIEFS

POLICE INTERCEPT OF 300 KG HASHISH--Amsterdam, July 2--Four Pakistani nationals were detained for questioning by police on Friday when they appeared to take delivery of 214 boxes of imported shirts found on arrival at Schiphol Airport to contain 300 kilogrammes of hashish. The hashish, valued at two million guilders, was confiscated when the consignment was delivered at a store in Amsterdam. The four were in the building at the time. The attempt to smuggle the drug into the Netherlands came to light when a forwarding agent at the airport found the consignment of shirts to be heavier than invoiced. [Text] [The Hague ANP in English 2 Jul 79 p 3]

HEROIN HAUL--Rotterdam, July 9--Customs officers today seized eight kilos of heroin valued at four million guilders on board a ship in the port of Rotterdam, a Finance Ministry spokesman said. He declined to identify the vessel but said a crew member had been detained for questioning by police. Rotterdam police said no details could be given at this stage of their investigations. [Text] [The Hague ANP in English 10 Jul 79 p 4]

HEROIN ABOARD POLISH FREIGHTER--Rotterdam, July 10--The captain and first mate of the 6,904-tonne Polish freighter Janke Krasicki were detained for questioning after customs officers seized eight kilos of heroin on board their ship here yesterday, police said later. Earlier yesterday, a Finance Ministry spokesman said one crew member had been detained by police for questioning after the heroin, valued at two million dollars, had been found during a routine customs check. A police spokesman said the vessel, owned by the Polish Ocean Lines company in Gdynia, berthed in this port on Sunday after having called at various Middle East ports. Police declined to disclose the names of the two men detained pending further investigations. [Text] [The Hague ANP in English 11 Jul 79 p 4]

HASHISH IN HOLLOW PLANKS--Amsterdam, July 11--Police have detained one Dutchman and three Turks on suspicion of smuggling 100 kilos of hashish into the Netherlands from Turkey, found hidden in hollow wooden planks,

police said today. The four men were caught yesterday unloading the hollowed-out planks containing the pressed hashish, valued at 100,000 dollars, from a Turkish-registered lorry into a delivery van. [Text] [The Hague ANP in English 11 Jul 79 p 4]

HEROIN IN CAR CHASSIS--Amsterdam, July 23--Police here said last Saturday they found half-a-million guilders' worth of heroin in a car chassis here last night and detained a Turkish man and his 12-year-old son. A total of four and-a-half kilos (nine pounds) of a low-grade type of the drug was hidden on the vehicle, which was parked in an underground garage here. Police said they kept watch on the car for two days after receiving a tip from the International Police Organisation Interpol. The detained man who stayed in Rotterdam was identified only by his initials M.Y.D. The heroin was believed to have come Saturday from the Middle East, police added. [Text] [The Hague ANP in English 23 Jul 79 p 4]

TWO TON HASHISH 'CATCH'--Amsterdam, July 24--About 2,000 kilos of hashish packed in plastic sacks have been landed at various ports in the Netherlands in recent weeks after being netted by Dutch trawlers fishing in the North Sea, police said here today. A spokesman said the hashish, worth four million guilders on the dealers market, had apparently been thrown overboard by a ship which feared a customs check. The first 'catch' totaling 85 kilos of hashish was landed by a fishing vessel at IJmuiden, west of here, on June 8. [Text] [The Hague ANP in English 24 Jul 79 p 5]

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